

"Dieting", says Compulent Cora, "is what you might call the fat lady's slim chance".—Post-Dispatch.

Thanks to Editor Denman for publicity given the editor. It is well to be in the lime light even if it is not intended to be in a complimentary way.

Our Mr. Wallhausen left Friday morning for Columbia and Sweet Springs, Mo., for a few days' visit with friends and home folks. He will be missed on the news end of the paper, but we'll do our best.

The massacre of a bunch of gangsters in Chicago by another bunch of the same sort of animals speaks well for law and order in that hell-hole of a city. However, that is a very good way to dispose of a class that the law seems powerless to handle.

Another instance of paternalistic government. This week a poor farm laborer, wanting a bit of fresh meat for his family, picked up a gun and killed a couple of rabbits on the premises where he lived. An officious game warden haled him before the magistrate, and lacking funds to pay a fine, the poor man went to jail for eighteen days. In the face of such facts it is hard to keep from saying things that might be better left unsaid, but it was just such oppression that turned Russia into a volcano.—Malden Merit.

The very best possible advice we can give a young man going out in the world to work out his own salvation is to seek good company and that can best be found at church and prayer meetings. The pool hall is the last place to find the company that a young man, and a stranger in a city, should seek. Then tell nothing but the truth, pay cash for everything you buy, and it will not be long until your company and your trade is sought. To fall in with the wrong sort of people has ruined many a young man who might have made a good citizen if given the right start.

Ira Jones and Malcolm Monan are in jail at Benton charged with assault and robbery of Ben F. Morrison, manager of one of the Sikeston Kroger Stores. Jones was arrested Thursday, while Monan was taken Friday morning. The assault was committed Saturday night and was evidently committed by somebody familiar with the habits and home of Morrison. Jones has been arrested many times on different charges and has served one term in the Missouri penitentiary. Monan has a long record of petty cussedness, but has, so far, escaped the penitentiary. The assault was brutal and if these boys are proven the guilty parties they should be given a long term. No date has been set for a preliminary hearing.

To show you just what a wonderfully good, pious and progressive citizen we have as a competitor, we will say that just as long as he can ride in the saddle, he is all right but when he has to ride behind, he is willing to disturb things all he can. Just an example: When Tom Mathew was pastor of the Methodist church of Sikeston a few years ago, it became necessary for him to tell Denman that he was the pastor and in charge of the flock in this city. Denman quit the church until John Ensor was appointed to this charge then he returned to the Methodist church. Something must have gone wrong again, as Denman wrote to the Bishop asking him not to return John Ensor to Sikeston. The Bishop sent the letter to John Ensor for an explanation. It was the first intimation to Ensor that he was not filling the bill to the entire satisfaction of his flock. He was so indignant that he started down to give Denman a whipping, but was persuaded by some of the Board that such a course would be unseemly. Anyway, Ensor was returned to Sikeston just the same and the church still stands. Then came Rev. Barnhardt and everything seemed rosy again, until something slipped a cog in the Big Men's Bible Class and the teacher—Denman—was granted a rest for a while. Last fall he seemed to be able to get to ride in the saddle and run in a political speech in the church house to a lot of folks who did not appreciate the time nor the place. Now it seems, the Northern Methodist Brother is right up straddle of the Southern Methodist preacher riding one or the other of them to a fall. And such is Denman when he does not do everything and get everything.

The announcement that income tax returns must be filed by March 1, has few terrors to farmers and editors in this section of the moral vineyard. Both classes would be tickled almost to death if they could be included in that class.

Those who will be in the market may be able to pick up some good bargains for the farm if they will attend the sale at the Kelly place on Big Opening, Thursday, February 21, at 10 o'clock, or the Matthews sale at the edge of Sikeston, Tuesday, February 26 at 10 o'clock. Work mules and farm implements constitute the bulk of the items that will be offered.

Have you laid out your garden spot in your mind yet? We had everything ready for the test to prove what a home garden could produce and just how much the garden would save a family, when the wife refused to do the work. All she was asked to do was one thing, while we intended to furnish the seed, the tools and advice. Some people are hard to please it looks like.

The editor gives up. He never expects to be a well-dressed man if the National Merchant Tailors' Association gives the proper requirements which include: 14 suits, 8 overcoats, a dozen hats, 2 dozen pairs of shoes, 2 tuxedos, additional evening clothes for summer and winter wear, and a scattering of plus fours, riding breeches and other things not mentioned.—Jackson Cash Book.

The fifty-year old woman who laboriously crawled up into a chair, when a little girl, and was cautioned by her mother to "pull down your dress and don't let your panties show", now seems to take an extra hitch on her abbreviated skirt when she crosses her knee, so you'll be sure to see the pretty knitted bloomers and the hosiery "guaranteed silk clear to the top".—La Plata Home Press.

Thursday night petty thieves took the generator from the car of Rev. F. E. Jones down on Murray Lane. The same night, they attempted to get into the garage of J. N. Sheppard on Dorothy Street, and did get into the garage where Miss Hyacinth Sheppard keeps her Buick, took her flash light, but were unable to get the car as the ignition was locked. Both doors to her car were locked, but the party took the floor out of the bottom of the car and opened the door from the inside. Finger prints and grease marks were left on both doors and the windshield.

During the past few weeks several of our old and most respected citizens have answered to the death call, which brings to mind that each of these citizens were fit to die which should be a great consolation to those left behind. To die and leave behind a name without stain means much. To die and leave a blackened record, is to leave grief in the household that will live forever. None are too good, but all could be better. The toll for the flu and pneumonia is not all in and care and close attention should be given those who are ailing. Take care of your feeble body but also remember your soul.

The committee from the Chamber of Commerce that went to St. Louis to see Mr. Nichols of the Menzie shoe company in regard to securing the building, made their report at the Chamber of Commerce meeting Tuesday night. The report in substance was about as follows: They saw Mr. Nichols and stated to him that the people of this section who had contributed to the building of the shoe factory plant, were not satisfied with the way it was being run and asked him if they would turn him over his \$100,000 personal bond which he had made the committee, would he turn over the building. His reply was "no, indeed he would not, this was one of the factories he would hold on to and if they were looking for a lawsuit to go ahead". A letter from him was also read in which he stated he was preparing to install a sprinkling system in the building. The committee was instructed to take steps at once to see that if the sprinkling system is installed that no more mechanics liens were placed on the building and to take such other steps as they deem necessary to protect the building. It looks as though a lawsuit will be necessary if the committee is to secure the building and if it has to come, let's get busy and get at it. The factory is now running with about 65 employees in it.—Illmo Jimplieute.

What's the use in a Sikeston father paying out money for piano lessons for his daughter when he can buy a radio and hear music that's just about as bad?

County Superintendent of Schools O. F. Anderson is arranging for the annual meeting of school boards, to be held at Benton March 7. All presidents and clerks of boards are required by law to attend.

Readers of The Standard will observe the different make-up on the paper this time. Plenty of short paragraphs were at hand and the ad for the first and last pages in, so why wait to make a run?

Unable to attend Sunday school at her church on a recent Sunday, Mrs. Alice DeReign, of Benton, a teacher in Sunday school for 40 years, had her class come to her home for the session. Mrs. O. L. Spencer is president of the class.

Matthew S. Murray, Director of Public Works, delivered an address Thursday night before the Westport Improvement Association. Mr. Murray discussed the street car situation, zoning changes and the widening of streets. His address made a splendid impression.—Missouri Democrat.

W. F. D. Batjer, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce at Cape Girardeau and a fruit specialist, is of the opinion that the recent low temperatures did not injure fruit buds in Southeast Missouri. He thinks that the buds were not sufficiently advanced to be damaged by freezing.

An aged night janitor journeyed from Quincy, Mass., to Philadelphia a few nights ago, attended a big banquet and was paid much attention at the Penn Athletic Club. Then he went back to his humble job. He was Jake Kilrain, who 42 years ago took a beating at the hands of John L. Sullivan in one of the fiercest ring battles in history—74 rounds with bare knuckles.

Proceeds of a school play at Dexter amounting to \$135 was stolen from a steel locker in the superintendent's room last week. A reward of \$100 has been offered for the arrest and conviction of the thief.

If the pictures in the papers do them justice, we do not see how many of these bathing beauties get their stand-in. Why, here in Dexter are scores of girls who have them skinned a city block for beauty—as far as we can see.—Dexter Statesman.

The Herald editor should be sure to impress on Senator Reed that the letter was written here in Sikeston as the Senator might think such a brainy effusion could not be hatched outside of Farmington. Senator Reed will be mighty glad to receive a copy of a country paper that contains such wonderful literary gems as are carried in The Herald.

Elvin Johnson, a negro claiming Chicago as his home, and claiming to have recently stolen eight cars between Chicago and Durant, Miss., is in jail at Charleston, charged with stealing a car from in front of the Del Rey Hotel, in Sikeston, belonging to Mrs. Patterson, a nurse at the Emergency Hospital. He took two cars from different stands in Sikeston before he found one to his liking. As soon as the car was missed, it was learned that a negro driving a car that answered the description of the Patterson car, had turned east on Highway 60 and a message to Sheriff Jackson of Mississippi County put him on guard with a high powered rifle to hold the car and negro. The negro soon appeared, but failed to halt at the command, but a shot through the fender of the car brought the negro to a stop. He was brought back to Sikeston, but later turned over to Sheriff Jackson, who took him to Charleston, where court was in session. The negro will be certain of a penitentiary term, but it might have been just as well if the sheriff had put the bullet through the negro instead of the fender.

The Scott County Court has fixed the poll tax for this county at \$4 each for men from 21 to 60 years old.

Wonder if Mr. Hoover acted surprised when he officially learned, last week, that he had been elected President. Al Smith heard last fall that he had not been elected.

The body of Lloyd Mathenia was found in the Mississippi River at Caruthersville Tuesday morning. He was employed by Walter Kurtz, as a caretaker of one of his gasoline boats and Friday afternoon he disappeared. It was thought he was drowned, having fallen from the boat.

A man does not necessarily need to be mathematically minded to enjoy good figures.

And speaking of figures, brings up the question "is anything" since Einstein "proved" that things that are, aren't.

The mid-Victorian girls were said to be straight-laced and chaste, but the modern women, 'tis said, want mostly to be chased.

Efforts of the Chicago police to stamp out lawlessness affords some interesting contrasts. Thursday rival gangsters surprised and slaughtered seven gangsters, and, so far, have escaped arrest. Seventy women, young and old, engaged in a bunco game Friday, were not so fortunate. They were caught. Both bunco and murder are violations of the law, but not in the same degree. Many of the women rounded up in the raid were hysterical with fright. Only one woman, who supervised the games, was arrested and she was set free at once by Judge Lupe of the Municipal Court. Bunco is the favorite pastime of women of moderate means, who will spend several dollars and many hours trying to win a 10-cent vase. According to the police, it is a violation of the gambling laws, but they are having a hard time to suppress it.

If it laid in some peoples britches, we don't doubt but what Sikeston would beat along for years with our present postoffice quarters. The quarters are all right in a way, tho' the building needs a carload of paint, a new roof, new floors, new heating plant, new basement and some coal.

The Horse Doctor was summoned to attend a sick mule at Columbus Allsop's Tuesday night of this week. The Doc is a believer in sunshine and scatters it wherever he goes having even spoken words of good cheer to the mule just before it expired.—Commercial Appeal.

The story is told of a young woman who was inspecting an electrical washing machine with a view to purchasing it. Pointing at a hole in the bottom, she asked what it was for, the salesman told her it was to let the water out, whereupon she exclaimed: "Oh, it doesn't wash by electricity, does it? You have to use water!"

A negro who has carried a bullet in his skull twenty-two years with out knowing it, was to be relieved of the missile last Thursday at the city hospital, St. Louis. The negro is William Stewart, 41. The bullet was discovered when an X-ray photograph was taken after he had been treated for lacerations of the scalp suffered in a fall. When told the bullet was in his skull, he recalled that 22 years ago he had had an argument with his wife and she had shot him in the head.

A large blue racer, measuring 32 inches in length, was found coiled up in the snow one morning last week by John Lane and his son, Henry, when they were walking in the field near their home in the Victory community. No tracks made by the reptile could be found anywhere. The snake was so nearly frozen that it did not attempt to get away. Mr. Lane says he believes the snake dreamed that spring had come and had crawled out to investigate, only to find a big snow.—Poplar Bluff Republican.

On account of strained financial conditions of the city treasury, all city officers of Charleston were forced to accept a cut in salary with the exception of John F. Heggie, city clerk, who resigned when his salary was cut from \$50 to \$25 per month. Our own city council can see about the salary paid the city clerks in other cities and may reconsider the guaranteed salary of \$150 per month for the Sikeston clerk. With office room and fees, it would be a snap for some insurance or real estate agent who could do very nicely.

The new hosiery mill that is nearing completion will be one of the largest manufacturing concerns in Southeast Missouri, employing some 300 or 400 people and running night and day. The hosiery machines are each about 30 feet long instead of 15 feet as stated in last week's Jimplieute; each machine contains 45,000 parts which have to be assembled and there are 13 machines. Experts from the factory, assisted by local help are busy putting the machines up. They are located on the north side of the building while the machines for the making of overalls are being installed on the south side of the building. One machine we were told cuts out 100 pairs of overalls at a time. It is a busy place now.—Illmo Jimplieute.

Let's see, Congressman Russell secured money to purchase postoffice building sites at Caruthersville, West Plains and Sikeston, way back in 1913. He introduced bills for a building on these sites at every session. Congressman Fulbright did the same. So did Congressman Bailey. The only public building bill to pass Congress since 1913 was during Mr. Bailey's term and bills were introduced by him for buildings at Caruthersville, West Plains and Sikeston. Many cities in the United States had sites bought and paid for and it was to these cities the lump sum appropriation was to be used first. Likewise, but two small cities in each State were to receive buildings out of the first hundred million dollar appropriation. Sikeston was one of the two fortunate small cities to be designated in Missouri. The other city was Trenton. If The Herald editor will watch The Standard closely, he will probably learn just when bids for Sikeston will be asked for. We expect to see Congressman Short busy on designations out of future appropriations for both Caruthersville and West Plains and hope he will get them.

Both the ice man and the coal man are kept fairly busy. We just about as leave be a country editor as either of them.

At last Lindbergh has lost his heart but found a big pocketbook as they say she has plenty of this world's goods and everything that goes to make a happy home.

If the editor of the Great Religious Weekly can just have cut in the slab of the new postoffice building, "Blanton's Postoffice" we'll sure appreciate it, as we haven't the nerve to ask to have it done.

Christian Stein, 103 years old, the oldest man in Cape Girardeau County, died at his home in Jackson last Thursday. Born in Germany, May 21, 1825, Stein came to America when he was 29. He resided at New Orleans a short while and then moved to Cape Girardeau County, where he had since made his home.

The Mort Green's are wintering at the Riviera in Southern France. Mort noticed the women on the farms in that part of France were out cutting wood, gathering limbs and tying in bundles for fuel, minding goats, etc., and in a foolish moment he remarked to Mrs. Green: "I notice the women don't go in for afternoon bridge around here". And there's where he made a mistake for Mrs. Green told the Social Set if it hadn't been for her slaving and saving in their early married days, Mort Green would not be spending the winter in balmy France.

Four stores were broken into at East Prairie Wednesday night and the robbers escaped with an undetermined amount of loot. Bloodhounds of the Hucaby Detective Agency were taken there Thursday to trail the thieves. The stores looted included Walden's meat market, the Falkoff department store, Ramsey's cafe and Hearn's dry goods store. Some money was included in the loot. The burglaries were not discovered until the stores opened for the day's business. Southeast Missouri is getting her share of burglaries and robberies, and it looks like the officers are unable to catch the scoundrels.

Rumor has it that on Wolf Island, which is Kentucky territory, has a number of stills and especially one large one. Between that point and Arkansas there are regular crews of whiskey runners since the river has become full of ice, making it unsafe for smaller craft to navigate. It is now transported by automobile, it is said. Our officers have no jurisdiction and are powerless to act unless they can effect arrest after the runners have landed on this side of the chute. Charges of possession and transportation could then be made. It is believed that a woman and a boy of about 14 years are used as a blind by the runners and thus giving the appearance of not being in this illicit trade. They'd better look a "leedle" out or sheriff Jackson will have them for boarders.—Charleston Courier.

The hardest problem that confronts a country editor is the requests of his friends and readers to omit mention of some event or some person connected with the event. For three weeks straight, such a request has been made at the Democrat office, and no doubt at many other newspaper offices. To accede to such a request means that other readers will sneer at the editor's way of telling the news by suppressing facts. To refuse to listen to the request means disappointment to certain families and resentment towards the publisher. Many newspaper men get real angry when asked to do such a thing, feeling that they are being told how to run their own business. The published of the Democrat, however, sympathizes with the supplicants for they frequently have real troubles to be considered. To omit a name or an event in one instance causes others who did not fare so well to question why favoritism has been shown. To leave out every article or name that would cause disappointment would be to publish nothing but bed time stories and the Sunday School lesson. Readers pay for their paper to read the news of the locality. If they don't get it in one paper, they'll cancel their subscription and take another. On the other hand, when the newspaper publishes certain facts that it has been requested to leave out, those affected by these facts frequently stop their paper and so—what have you?—Shelbina Democrat.

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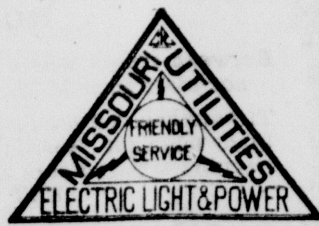


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The following from the Wewoka, Okla., Daily Times, speaks for itself: "On Tuesday evening, the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Wesley Black on West Orange Street, was the scene of a very pretty dinner bridge given in honor of Miss Hilma Black, whose betrothal to Mr. Kellogg Marvin was announced at that time. The tables were lovely with heart shaped rose and white appointments and large nut baskets tied with tulle and rose buds in which were hidden the cards bearing the interesting news. The dinner and bridge appointments also carried out the color scheme. The bride-to-be is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Wesley Black and formerly resided with her parents in Sikeston, Mo. She was educated at Lindwood College, St. Charles, Mo., and at the University of Missouri. She is a member of the Gamma Phi Beta national sorority. Mr. Marvin, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Marvin of New York City is connected with the oil business. He is an alumnus of Williams College, Massachusetts and a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity. No definite date has as yet been set for the wedding. Miss Francoise Black assisted her mother and sister in receiving the guests. The many friends of Miss Hilma in this city wish the bride-to-be all the happiness possible for mortals here below.

The Standard would like to call the attention of those of our citizens who do some trading in other cities, to the handsome lines of ladies and men's wearing apparel shown in display windows. We believe Sikeston merchants carry as large and varied lines of merchandise as can be found in cities much larger. Another thing about trading with home merchants is: You can see and examine articles and the merchants will stand back of their wares.

The Standard stands ready to join any man or any set of men in putting over any proposition that will help our city and our community. We only wish there were enough cows in the trade territory to enable us to have a creamery, a cheese plant or some manufacturing institution that could use whole milk. The time must come when the farmer will have to come to the cow, the sow and the hen for his living. It would not be a great hardship to produce sufficient feed on a farm to carry these three money makers and have plenty of time to look after the stock and poultry. No man can raise enough wheat and corn to put him out of debt, but he can get out of debt, live and make a little money if he adds live stock and poultry to his farm lines. Make a living first and then try to make some money.

The Credit Department of the Dexter Merchants Association is designed to improve credit conditions in Dexter, and to furnish the merchant members with information which, it is thought, should enable them to avoid many losses through bad accounts. The toll of the professional dead-beat has fallen heavily on merchants in the past, and has been direct cause of many mercantile failures. Unwarranted slowness in paying bills has also been a constant source of annoyance and expense, adding enormously to the cost of doing business, and making it impossible for merchants to sell goods on as close a margin as they otherwise could. The proper functioning of this organization will tend to discourage overbuying, and will make it imperative that those who expect accommodations from the business men protect their credit by living up to their obligations.—Dexter Messenger.

This is to let George Kunkle know that those giant bamboo sprouts are shouder high and still green color notwithstanding the severe cold weather and the snows. We shall report from time to time, and would like for him to report on his behavior and if he has yet married an oil woman with a gusher.

How many merchants could keep their business going if they lived out in the country and had to make the round trip one or more times a day? The same wonder is how can a farmer expect to farm successfully when his family lives in town and live out of the grocery store and fresh meat market.

The Old Dixie Minstrels will be presented at the Miner Community House, Friday evening, February 22 at 7:30, for the benefit of the building fund. This home talent entertainment features an interesting collection of darkey songs, dancing, sermons and a short play depicting a touching scene of the slavery days in Old Dixie. Good music by harp, piano and banjo. The boys in the cast have shown a splendid community spirit and the best way to show your appreciation of their efforts is by being present and bring the neighbors. Admission only 15 cents and 25 cents.

When land is down at the very bottom, when it comes to buying, we would say now is the time to buy land. The farmer has been crushed almost to death, but it cannot be thus always. We fail to see why a farmer cannot make a better living than the poor man in town, but the living is not what the farmer has been trying to do. He has been trying to get rich the past ten years and bored with too big an auger.

A newspaper that sits idly by and sees and believes the city is paying an outlandish salary for a small job, is not doing its duty to our way of thinking. We don't believe any man is worth \$150 a month in a city the size of Sikeston to act as city clerk. This is no reflection or criticism of the clerk for his competency is not questioned. We would like to see this clerk reinstated with Division 10 of the Highway Department in the same position and at the same salary as when he resigned there, because of lack of funds to carry a clerk. They now have funds and need more men, and the city doesn't need such a high salaried man.

Alvin E. Merritt, alleged "red haired fiend", was indicted on nine counts by the Fulton County, Georgia, grand jury. Merritt, 25-year-old father, has been identified by 21 women residents of Atlanta's most exclusive residential section as the man who attempted to attack them. The indictments charge criminal assault, burglary, robbery and statutory offenses.

In a certain town in Southeastern Missouri, a newspaper office received an order for some public sale bills from a prominent farmer. The order was given on June 29 and the work was promised for June 30. June 30 was the last day before the prolonged drought so the printer decided he would take one more shot of pre-war Scotch in honor of the occasion. One glass brought company and soon the "hootch" flowed freely. Then the printer remembered his public sale bill job promised for that day. He hastened to the case and set type with both hands. His legs felt slightly wobbly, but his head was clear as a bell. He set the job, read the proof and printed the bills. The farmer called for his job, paid the bill and started tacking up his bills. To his consternation this is what he found on his bills: Twenty-five cows, broke to work; 41 head of cultivators, 10 head of shoveling boards with scoops by side, 3 piano mares, 120 rods of canvas belting, better than new; DeLaval cow with ice cream attachment; McCormick binder in foal; Poland China bob sled, due to farrow in April; 14 head of chickens with grass seed attachments; 2 J. I. Case heifers in good working order, spraying outfit, can be ridden by children; 15 billy goats, giving milk now; 7-bushel heating stove with spraying nozzle; Edison phonograph, will use hard or soft coal; Ford tank heater and other articles too numerous to mention.—Jackson Cash Book.

A drove of small boys apparently in the eighth and ninth grades at school, were enjoying a crap game in the corner back of the postoffice Sunday afternoon. We are not going to print their names, but will say it is a mighty bad start for boys, as the future of both boys and girls depend on their way of living. No one cares to give employment to a crap shooting boy as they might need money out of the cash drawer to pay their losses. It is up to parents to know where these lads spend their Sunday afternoons and evenings. We are in favor of Sunday picture shows in order to give entertainment to such a these.

Psychics claim to be able to tell a woman's character by the color of the dainty unmentionables she wears. Most of us can't tell much by the color, but we can judge her breeding when she exposes them enough for us to find out what color they are.—Commercial Appeal.

A little West Side girl at Sunday school listened very attentively to the teacher as she told about finding Jesus in the manger. "I'll bet Tom Mix wouldn't have stood for that had he been there", said the girl.

The Benton Dramatic Club has elected officers as follows: John Goodin, president; Mary Lee Harrison, vice-president; Camille Huber, secretary; Winnifred Eldridge, treasurer; Wilson Farris, sergeant at arms.

While on his way from New York to Vienna with a consignment of reptiles, a copperhead snake escaped and bit Professor Schiffman. A wireless message was sent from the ship, the Cunard liner Berengaria, to Professor Dittmar, of Bronx Zoo in New York. Dittmar wirelessly his advise for treatment of the bite, and saved the victim's life.

Ira White has been elected president of the Dexter Merchant's Association. Other officers are: Vice-President, Russell Sisler; Secretary-Treasurer, Bert Pruitt, and governors, L. E. Seibert, Asa Thrower, Charles Michelson and Frank Utley.

In cold weather hides and skins may be kept safely for some time without salting, but care should be taken to prevent them from freezing. In spring, summer and fall, however, skins should be salted promptly.

Dr. George Kowertz, Kansas City physician, was sentenced to 20 years in the Missouri penitentiary following his conviction of robbing a Ballard, Mo., bank of \$900 last November. In Kansas City, Dr. Kowertz had been named by two youths as head of a robber gang. He received a 7-year sentence to the Leavenworth Federal Penitentiary in 1922 for counterfeiting.

There is no authentic information as to the composition of the cross on which Jesus was crucified. Legends on the subject are legion. The alleged fragments of the cross preserved as sacred relics are composed of pine. According to one legend, the true cross was made of four kinds of wood—palm, olive, cedar and cypress—representing the four quarters of the globe. A more poetic legend says the cross was made of aspen, supposed to account for the almost constant quivering of the leaves of that species.

Psychics may be able to tell a woman's personality by the purple spots and yellow stripes of her aura, but the only infallible way to figure out what she really is like, is to steal a look at the color and pattern of her step-ins, and foundation garment. If she chooses pale peach and pastels patterned in circles, she probably is the demure, unsophisticated girlish type, according to the Associated Apparel Industries, Inc., which has much to say about style secrets for spring. If she goes in for blue and pistachio in diamond like patterns, she is at heart a gold digger, it is hinted. Deep lavender denotes a sophisticated, but genteel personality, while purple, done in arrows and darts indicates a woman of violent temper. Rose and orchid patterned in triangular figures show fickleness, while black and white panties and foundation garments are the keynotes to the vamp.

EIGHTH DISTRICT MONTHLY REVIEW

The following agricultural outlook for the States of Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi and Arkansas is a regular monthly service of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis.

Cotton—Some cotton still remains in the fields, especially in northern and eastern Arkansas and Missouri, but generally speaking the crop is out. Yields have turned out larger than expected in a number of instances, and in some Arkansas and Mississippi counties the output was close to the high record. Prices during the past thirty days fluctuated within a narrow range, averaging about the same as during the similar period immediately preceding. Demand has been fair, and sufficient to absorb cotton as fast as it came out. With the exception of cotton received in late December and early this month, the crop as a whole has been of relatively high quality. As has been the case for the past two years, there is still no premium to speak of for staple cotton, and as a result many planters have decided to reduce their plantings of staple cotton this year. Considerable farm work has been done, and in some localities more plowing has been accomplished to date than at the same time last year. Stocks in Arkansas warehouses on January 11 amounted to 295,011 bales, against 291,792 bales on the corresponding date last year.

NO CLOSED SEASON ON LIMING SOIL

Limestone can be spread at any season of the year provided the soil is either dry or frozen and the crop on the land does not prohibit getting into the field with a lime spreader. Lime handled in winter, however, must be stored in a dry, well protected place to prevent its becoming damp and then freezing. According to crop specialists in Missouri, it is permissible to spread lime on winter wheat after it is up, as well as previous to or following the seeding of the crop. Lime can be spread and disced in ahead of oats, corn or soybeans or it can be applied after the corn or soybeans come through the ground. It is generally considered best not to plow limestone under, and if it is plowed, the depth should not be great.

The earlier in the season limestone is applied the sooner it will become effective on the land. Limestone applications are economical and profitable on soils which are acid or "sour" in reaction.

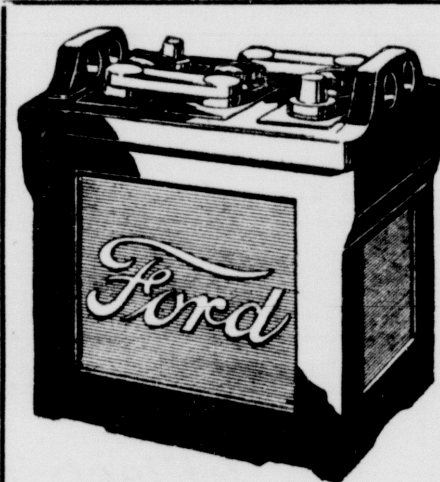
A nurse crop is desirable with the sweet clover crop, not so much to help the clover along, but to keep down the weeds and get an extra crop from the land. A nurse crop is especially useful with sweet clover on weedy land where there is plenty of moisture for two crops. In the dry-farming regions of the West, however, a nurse crop should not be planted, says the U. S. Department of Agriculture, as there it becomes a "robber" crop and takes the moisture from the young clover plants. Wheat or oats makes a good nurse crop, though Canada field peas also are good and in Idaho are considered best for this purpose. Canning peas are used in Illinois and Wisconsin.

HOUSE BILL WOULD PUNISH "FIRE BUG"—YOUNG ENDORSES

Fire insurance rates in Missouri are comparatively high, according to a report prepared by the Civic Department of the Chamber of Commerce of Kansas City. In Sikeston, for example, the basis rate on a one-story brick mercantile building is 52c. If it were located in Ohio, the basis rate would be but 23½c. The greatest single factor entering into Missouri's high fire losses and high premium rates, according to the report, is the setting of fires to collect insurance.

Fully forty per cent of all losses in the State are incendiary, officials of the National Board of Fire Underwriters estimate. For Kansas City, the estimate is fifty per cent. Of 58 fires classified by the Kansas City Fire Department in 1928 as incendiary or questionable explosions, on account of the inadequacy of present statutes, but one man was sent to the penitentiary. The amount of such losses, in excess of \$400,000, is not paid by Kansas City alone, but under the State-wide system of rating in effect, is paid through fire insurance premiums by the people over the entire State.

In order to make possible the punishment of the fire-bug and the racketeer, and to protect the honest policyholder from the burden of helping to pay for "crooked" losses, the



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Kansas City Chamber is asking the support of other business and civic bodies throughout the State on behalf of the Model Arson Law, which is on the statute books of fifteen States and has been thoroughly tested in the courts of these States.

Fire Chief John Young of this city, indicated approval of the proposed law to run to ground incendiaries and fire bugs. He said, however, that losses in Sikeston had been reduced fully 50 per cent within the last year, by the enforcement of fire prevention ordinances, such as ordering flues to be built from the ground up, specifying composition fireproof shingles instead of wood and other measures.

Eggs are a spring tonic far ahead of many sold in the drug store, for egg-yolk is one of the best known iron-rich foods, and also supplies phosphorus and calcium, mineral elements needed for building bones, teeth and other tissues. Eggs are also a rich source of vitamins.

"MERCY BULLETS" CATCH GAME FOR U. S. ZOO

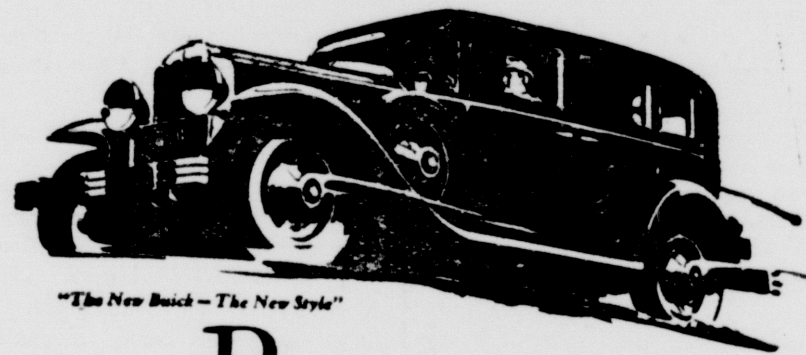
Cape Town, South Africa, February 13.—For the first time in the history of wild game hunting, animals are being captured in South Africa painlessly by the proprietor of an American zoo and Capt. Burnett Harris, the inventor.

The bullet, which is equivalent to a hypodermic needle, penetrates the animals and discharges a drug, allowing the animals to be secured while under the influence, thus fulfilling the commission of the zoo authorities, who have already secured fine specimens which are not affected by what is called "the mercy bullet".

A few grains of popcorn on top of a plate of corn soup give it an attractive appearance.

Short, quick cooking of vegetables in little or no water is recommended in order to conserve their vitamins and minerals.

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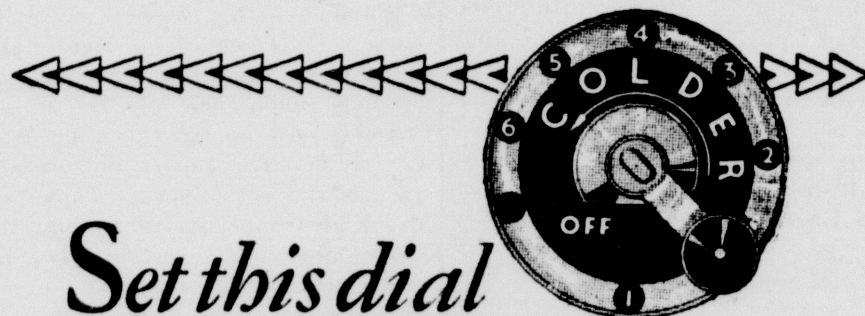
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SCHORLE BROTHERS

COMPANY BUYS 2500 ACRES OF TIMBER

East Prairie, February 15.—The Gideon-Anderson Company of Gideon, has purchased 2500 acres of timber in Mississippi County from the Three States Company, and a section from Fisher Brothers, which is estimated will cut 30,000,000 feet.

W. P. Anderson and M. S. Anderson of the Gideon-Anderson Company met here this week with a committee of the Lions Club, who were assisting them in securing a lease on land for a log yard and right-of-way to be used in handling their timber from East Prairie. They have been handling some timber by truck and loading it at Anniston, but this method has failed to supply their mill with enough logs. To increase the supply, the company will lay a railroad track from here into its timber. The concern expects to have its entire logging equipment here in 40 days.

There is about 29,000 acres of timber in the south end of Mississippi County which is owned by the Three States Company.

Relatives and acquaintances of people serving sentences in the penitentiary are warned and cautioned to send them no money. We are told there is an underground way that narcotics can be secured and this is why cash is requested.

Weather outlook for the week beginning Monday: Upper Mississippi and lower Missouri Valleys: Temperatures mostly below normal in north and central portions and near normal in extreme south portions; probably one or two precipitation periods.

Frank Case, star athlete of the local high school, who has been in the Lucy Lee hospital, was able to get downtown to the picture show yesterday afternoon. Case enjoyed the show very much and it was the first show that he had seen for ten weeks.—Poplar Bluff Republican.

One of our town farmers motored to his farm recently and found that one of his colored tenants had pulled up and made wood of fifteen fence posts. Of course he raised a roar, but that didn't bring back the post and set them. This same farmer said one of his negro tenants had burned the slats out of the bed during the big snow.

The Farmington Times says, "The State Highway Department has decided to close the gap in the slab on 61 between Farmington and Fredericktown during the year". One section of right-of-way which a commission had allowed the owner \$3,000 damages, was settled last week for \$850. The few remaining controversies, of less importance, are expected to be settled shortly.

It will soon be sixteen years since the editor came to Skeston a total stranger and three of the first to give us a fraternal greeting were E. M. Sikes, Dr. E. J. Malone and A. B. Dill, all members of the Masonic fraternity, and all of whom have recently passed to the Great Beyond. Of these three aged men, in all our acquaintance, we have never heard a word against their business or moral character. All three were of different dispositions, but none given to gossip to injure one and all three would have gone their limit to assist a worthy brother. We are not all blessed with riches on earth, but all are on the same footing after death.

Reverend Bellanger made a telling point at his meeting Sunday evening when he opposed any spectacular thing or excitement that would cause people to join the church without giving it serious thought. To preach the gospel in such a way that it is telling and convincing is the only way to get one in the church in order that they will work to the glory of God. When one enters the church through excitement when that dies down, the joiner grows lukewarm and is anything but the right sort of a church member. Sometimes we think there must have been a lot of church members who were excited when they joined.

Mrs. Elmer Caldwell of Matthews was operated on Thursday at the Emergency Hospital. Mrs. Jesse King was operated on for appendicitis Friday, and on Saturday, Miss May Twitty, for appendicitis. All three of these patients are doing nicely. Mr. Grigsby, a New Madrid County farmer, is in the hospital for observation. At this time, the hospital rooms are all filled. Some of these days it is going to be necessary to add more rooms or people in this section will have to be taken to other hospitals which will endanger their lives, as many cases that have passed through this hospital would have died if it had been necessary to have taken them to another city.

FUNERAL OF A. B. DILL

The funeral of A. B. Dill was held in the Methodist church Friday afternoon at 1:30. The pall bearers were the five sons and one grandson of Mr. Dill.

The sermon was preached by the pastor, Rev. C. C. Barnhardt, who spoke highly of Mr. Dill as a christian and a man. Harry Dover very feelingly, rendered the "Old Rugged Cross". The Eastern Star, the Masons and the I. O. O. F. attended the funeral in a body and took charge of the services at the cemetery.

The out-of-town relatives and friends, who attended the funeral were: J. D. Dill and son, John, Jr., I. W. Dill and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Dill and daughters, Mayor Easterly, Lloyd C. Swartz, Jack McEwen and Dr. J. M. Marberry, all of Carbondale, Ill., Jack Dill and Hildreth Dill of Flint, Mich., L. C. McClellan, wife and children of Caruthersville.

A lady on trial in New York says she cannot remember shooting her husband in November. Not many keep a diary up to November.—Detroit News.

A quick run was made by the fire department shortly after noon Monday to the home of M. A. Arterburn beyond the Frisco depot. A spark from the flu set fire to the shingle room causing a small damage only. The blaze was extinguished by the chemical engine.

Sibert Tanner brought to the Missouri office to show to the editor the head of a real "cotton tail" rabbit bearing two well developed horns, one below each ear, which he killed in a stubblefield a few miles west of Portageville. The horns were black, shaped like a goat's, and were one and one-half inches long.—Portageville Missourian.

Frances Porter, a New York show girl, is now suing C. P. Whitehead of Atlanta, Ga., for \$250,000, on account of something or other. This is the same show girl who took a trip to Havana on Whitehead's yacht, with Whitehead, and he had a hard time getting rid of her. If we were on the jury we would suppose she was well paid at the time to make the trip, and that Whitehead owed her nothing. This blister must think she is worth a lot.

The lawyers of Southeast Missouri will meet in the banquet hall of the Hotel Marshall Friday evening of this week, where they will discuss matters of interest to their profession. Wm. G. Hale, dean of Washington University Law School of St. Louis, will be one of the speakers of the occasion. Other speakers of note will be on the program which hasn't been completed at this time. R. L. Ward, of Caruthersville, is president of the Southeast Missouri Bar Association.

Scott County will receive \$325,240 of the \$75,000,000 Missouri road issue for the construction of farm-to-market roads. Figuring an average cost of \$4000 per mile this county will be able to construct about 91 miles of new roads. The quota for the other counties in Southeast Missouri are Bollinger County, \$298,168; Butler County, \$412,884; Cape Girardeau County, \$427,596; Dunklin, \$438,846; Mississippi County, \$231,950; New Madrid County, \$408,508; Perry County, \$256,880; Pemiscot County, \$364,000; Stoddard County, \$495,708. No roads will be built until 1930.

The old Malcolm residence, corner of Center Street and Ranney Avenue, was raided a few days ago and G. A. Wright was arrested, charged with keeping a bawdy house. At the same time, Lena Walker and Frank Kelley were arrested charged with adultery, pled guilty and paid their fines, \$25 and costs. Nellie Helton and Otis Morris were arrested at the same time at the same place, on the same charge, but demanded a hearing which is set for Thursday of this week. Morris and a young man named Stacey were held on a liquor charge. Wright will be given a hearing Thursday on the charge stated above.

A jury of Kentucky men on Friday imposed the heaviest penalty allowed by law on a pretty 23-year-old woman, who was accused of helping her husband to rob a bank. The woman, Grace Browder, of Owensboro, smiled faintly as the verdict fixing her punishment at 23 years imprisonment was read. Three days ago another jury had failed to reach a verdict in the case of her husband, Carl Browder, because one of the veniremen thought three years would be enough, while the other eleven favored a heavier penalty. The couple were accused of robbing the bank at West Louisville, a village near there, January 9. Two men were shot by the robbers as they left the bank.

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RESOLUTIONS

*Come unto me, a soft voice whispered And I will give you peace. And lo, his voice was stilled. But in our memory shall ever live, His faith, his zeal, his fine ideal, Founded upon the Star of the East"

Whereas, Our Heavenly Father has called from Skeston Chapter No. 137, Order of the Eastern Star, our Brother, A. B. Dill, February 13, 1929.

Therefore, Be It Resolved, First—That this Chapter which has received his encouragement and untiring support during an unbroken period of time, feels keenly the loss of so faithful and valuable a member.

Secondly—That we extend to the family and relatives our deepest sympathy, assuring them that their grief is ours.

Thirdly—That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of our Chapter, a copy sent to the family and to our local papers for publication.

EARL HOLLINGSWORTH
LUCY HUMPHREYS
EUNICE FORRESTER
Committee.

In regard to the news that three-fourths of the explosives produced in the country are used in mining, some asks if Chicago is in the copper or bituminous coal belt.—Detroit News.

Lack of sanitation is the cause of many poor incubator hatches and high chick mortality. The incubator should be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected to destroy all disease germs before eggs are put in it. Remove all down and dirt from the machine, and disinfect the interior, as well as the egg trays and nursery drawers, with some efficient disinfectant such as a saponified cresol solution.

LEGIONNAIRES TO MEET WEDNESDAY

The Legionnaires expect a large attendance at the regular meeting Wednesday night at the Chamber of Commerce rooms, as two important items of business will be taken up.

One is the setting of definite dates on which the community will be scoured for members for Henry Mel-drum Post. Loomis Mayfield, chairman of the membership committee, has stated that he has his plans ready to present and that his committee is rarin' to go.

The local Post has fallen woefully this year in its membership, being little more than half that of the Dexter Post.

The March issue of the American Legion Monthly Magazine will be out in a few days and the issue will contain a little story of Legion Square in Skeston. This will be the first publicity that the local Legionnaires have received in the national magazine, and it is thought that copies will be at a premium.

The Post has been again invited to attend in a body the annual armory inspection of Co. K, 140th Infantry, on Tuesday, February 26th. The Legionnaires made a hit last year when forty of them attended in a group.

The Post has signed a contract with a concern to put on a sale of fancy automobile robes in Skeston, commencing this week. Full details will be given out at the meeting on Wednesday and all members will have a chance to add to the finances of the Post, as well as to the personal comfort of the public.

This contest will run for five or six weeks, closing with a dance on April first. Watch for further announcement and for the large colorful display of robes and blankets in a down town display room.

Middletown Christian Scientists dedicated new church.

RESOLUTIONS

"One by one the links are severed, From the golden chain of love; But some day we'll find them welded

In a golden chain above".

Again we pause to pay tribute to one whom the Angel of Death bade follow him into the realms above. Bros. F. M. Sikes has followed the Star over the hill top beyond our vision into the Valley of Peace. Whereas, Skeston Chapter 137 has lost a loyal member and the family a devoted husband and father and, to these, we extend tender and loving sympathy, and assure them that behind the Great Unknown standeth God, within the shadows, keeping watch over His own. Therefore, be it resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, to our local papers and spread upon our records.

MELVIN LIMBAUGH
EMMA KENDALL
NELLIE MOUNT

North Kansas City—New brick building to be built on Armour road for Greason-Nash agency.

The automobile trailer has found a new use in North Carolina, where one is utilized for carrying water, men, and equipment to forest fires. The trailer has a 300-gallon water tank, a large compartment for equipment, emergency food supplies for 20 men, and seating space for 10 men.

As a supplemental pasture, Sudan grass deserves to be more popular than it is and might well be grown in all parts of the United States, except in regions with short or cool summers, in the opinion of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. It is palatable, productive, nutritious, easily grown and does not persist as a weed.

THE WASHINGTON TEA HERE A SUCCESS

The Washington Tea given by the Young Peoples Missionary Society at the Methodist church, was a very delightful affair. The program was well rendered and Mrs. Chris Francis and Mrs. Earl Allen, the young matrons in charge, are very appreciative of the compliments paid to the young folks who took part in the program. A silver offering was taken at the door and a nice sum was realized.

Following is the program rendered:

Piano solo—Dona Kathryn Myers
Vocal solo—"I Faw Down and Go Boom"—Catherine Ann Cook.

A paper on George Washington—Wootson Inez Hollingsworth.

Minutette Dance by the following: Betty Brenton, Helen Vera Dudley, Mary Jane Sikes, Frances Ann Sitze, Melba Ruth Hollingsworth, Nancy Lee Myers, Esther Jane Greer and Catherine Ann Cook.

Vocal solo—Annie Laurie—Melba Hudson.

Reading—Betty Brenton.

Reading—Wootson Inez Hollingsworth.

Grand finale—America—the Society.

The program opened as a mission ary meeting with Miss Margaret Mitchell, president, presiding. Evelyn Allard called the program and Margaret Bowman read the minutes.

WITH OUR SICK

Mrs. R. T. Couey, who has been ill for the past ten days, is much improved.

Gale Taylor and Rex Lambert, two of the carrier boys of The Standard are better. Rex is now out.

We are glad to report that little Phil Bowman, who has been critically ill for several weeks, is slowly improving.

Miss Lillian Kendall, who has been sick, is better.

Mrs. T. M. Bloomfield is still confined to her bed. She was some improved, Sunday.

Mrs. Granville McCary, who has been ill for several days, is still confined to her bed.

WASHINGTON TEA

The D. A. R. will hold a Washington Tea at the Hotel Marshall Saturday afternoon, February 23. The public is cordially invited. A silver offering of 25c will be taken at the door. A special program will be given. Come and enjoy a delightful afternoon.

AUXILIARY NOTES

The Auxiliary Unit of the American Legion will have their regular meeting with Mrs. Harry Dudley at her home Wednesday evening. All members are urged to attend.

Roy Woodburn was re-elected president of the Poplar Bluff Chamber of Commerce Friday. Other officers include B. A. Welcher, vice-president and H. S. Bloodworth, secretary.

Silage is very much relished by calves just weaned. They take to it more quickly than to dry feed, and will lose but little weight during the weaning period if they are liberally fed on silage, grain and legume hay.

The Police Court records shows that Paul Chaney pled guilty to reckless driving and was fined \$25 with costs. Elza Boardman was fined a like sum for reckless driving, while Raymond Andrews was fined with costs, \$8, which was set aside owing to previous good record.

The Paris Appeal has the following to say of our sister, Lillie, who lives in that city: "Miss Lillie Blanton, who has been in a cast from neck to waist for nearly three months, is promised relief from present discomforts about March 1. The cast will be loosened sufficiently for her to sit up and make the trip to Kansas City for braces to be fitted. She fell, it will be remembered, and broke her back. Her cheerfulness and patience during her long ordeal has been an inspiration to both family and friends".

More than one hundred major operations were performed at the Emergency Hospital the past year and every one of them were successful and the patients lived. In all the time this hospital has been open, but three deaths have occurred, the first was a lad shot through the head and unconscious when he arrived, the second was an infant with a bad case of pneumonia when it was received, and the third died from severe burns received several weeks ago. This is a remarkable record and speaks volumes for the operating surgeon and his able assistants and nurses. May God continue to guide the skill of those who aid suffering humanity.

ITEMS FROM MINER SWITCH

Will Lewis of East Prairie was a business caller at the Switch, Friday.

Among the sick of our community are: Mrs. Dick Dodge, Ida, Marshall and Ed Dodge, Buddie and Louise Beck, Ruth and Peggie Malcolm, Mrs. Otis Bishop, Geraldine Salyer and Paul Chiles.

Mr. and Mrs. Eubanks spent Sunday with friends at Tanner.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rickey of East Prairie were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Malcolm, Sunday.

Charles Vaughn has returned to Ben O. Matthews, after several days' visit in Skeston with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Jellett, E. C. Davis and Isarel Falkoff of East Prairie were Sunday visitors.

Mrs. C. W. Smoot and Joe Johnson attended the business meeting of the District Board of the Charleston Association at Chaffee Sunday afternoon.

The Valentine social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eubanks, Thursday night, was well attended and everyone reported a jolly good time.

Mrs. Julia Beckle left Friday for Rock Island, Ill., to join her husband, where they will make their future home.

Mr. and Mrs. Loren Hargrave and babies are visiting relatives at Fisk. Miss Finley, teacher of the Chaney school, was a pleasant caller, Sunday.

Rev. Crocker will fill his regular appointment here Saturday night, Sunday morning and night at the Baptist church. You are invited to attend the services.

Misses Genivieve Eubanks and Reda Vaughn attended the B. Y. P. U. meeting at Chaffee, Sunday afternoon.

Old Dixie Minstrel will be presented at the Community Hall, February 22 by the Holt Brothers. Admission 15c and 25c. A good attendance is desired.

Roy Hedden of Cape Girardeau, formerly of Paris, Mo., visited with the editor Saturday. His father and mother were in Skeston on business connected with the Russell Bros. Implement Company.

M. L. Sutton and son of the Matthews vicinity were Skeston visitors Monday morning and called at The Standard office. He will try farming again this season and hopes for a favorable season and a bountiful crop. He is a mighty fine gentleman and a mighty good farmer.

The fourth roadhouse near Poplar Bluff padlocked under court order since January 1 was closed Friday after Judge Charles L. Ferguson issued a temporary injunction against the "Ash Hill roadhouse", six miles east of that city. The action followed raids by officers, who found liquor and narcotics.

Children in a hurry to get to school and their elders dashing off to work, can seldom take the time to dig out the pulp of an orange with a spoon at breakfast time. So serve them the much needed orange juice in a glass and be assured they have a portion of the day's supply of vitamins and minerals.

The Standard dislikes to displease any young man who might be brought into court for fast driving, wrong parking, etc., by printing same, but when such is a matter of court record, it is not fair to discriminate. We are always sorry for those who are arrested for a misdemeanor or a crime, but can play no favorites.

A packed house greeted the Bellangers at the Christian church Sunday evening and every one present was well repaid. The singing was excellent, especially the duet of the Reverend and Mrs. Bellanger, and the sermon was entertaining throughout. The revival services will continue throughout the week with baptizing Friday evening and Sunday. The Reverend has been about quite a good deal and intersperses his Bible talk with affairs of history and of the day. You will be glad if you attend.

I Becker received word Friday that his father, 90 years of age, had passed away at his home near Vilma, Poland. Mr. Becker said when Mr. Sikes died there was a feeling in his heart that all was not well with his aged father back in the old country. The same feeling, or mental telepathy, came to him with the passing of Dr. Malone, followed closely the news of the passing of his own father. We sympathize with Mr. Becker in his loss, for he was closely attached to his parents and during the World War frequently sent money by cable to alleviate their wants.

SKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

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After reading about rabbits with
horns an inch and a half, we'll never
eat another piece of that sort of meat
if we know it.

There are lots of love matches be-
tween old men who are rich and
young girls who are poor. But there
are none between old men who are
poor and young girls who are rich.—
Milan Standard.

We believe we would rather take
our chances in a poker game than to
dabble in the stock markets as
some small fry are doing. At least
you can see how you lost your chips
and the party who got them.

Flower beds add greatly to the ap-
pearance of parks and yards and
The Standard hopes to see our city
parks all blooming throughout the
season, and followed closely by well
kept yards around the homes.

Dorothy Wilburn, 17 years of age
of Poplar Bluff, is reported lost
strayed or stolen. Miss Fay Farmer,
about the same age, disappeared the
same Wednesday afternoon. Guess
the girls wanted to see the bright
lights.

"Nig" Schneider, for so many
years connected with the tire busi-
ness and oil stations in Skeston, is
now located in the auto manufactur-
ing center of Michigan where we
hope he is growing rich. No one has
ever seen Schneider when he was
not smiling and that sort of a smile
ought to be worth a million.

The implement day held at the
Russell Bros. sheds in this city the
past week, brought leading farmers
from all over this section. Many
sales were made and all were inter-
ested in the latest improved machin-
ery that was demonstrated on that
day. The Saturday following, four
tractors were sold for farm work.
The coming Saturday will be another
demonstration day and a splendid
program is being arranged for those
who attend.

Just as soon as the road program
was settled at Jefferson City, the sun
broke out through the clouds that
showed Old Sol was smiling at the
Hill Billies from the Ozarks, who
were after a pork barrel program.
We are glad things were settled in
the end by such an overwhelming
majority and we hope to see the road
program under way at the earliest
possible moment. It is never possible
to please every man or set of men,
but we have confidence in the State
Highway officials and all assistants,
and in due course of time, all disaf-
fected sections will be pulling as one.

In some sections of the country
dairy cows are affected by a lack of
iodine in the feed. This results in
goiter or big neck in calves, usually
at birth. If this trouble is experienc-
ed in a herd, iodine should be fed to
the pregnant cows. The feeding of
iodine should be begun as soon as
there is reasonable certainty that the
cow is pregnant and should be con-
tinued until she calves. Iodine is
best in the form of potassium or so-
dium iodide, dissolved in water and
sprinkled over the feed. Only a very
small amount is needed. Get a 5 per
cent solution of the iodide from your
druggist and put one tablespoonful
of the solution on the feed of each
cow once a week.

Fattening "baby beeves", or year-
lings, for market tests the feeder's
skill, on account of the tendency
of the calves to grow rather than to
fatten. Unless the cows in the herd
are exceptional milkers, calves in-
tended for fat yearlings should be
started on a grain mixture such as
corn and oats when from 4 to 6
weeks old. Feed them liberally on
grain at least one month before
weaning, and make every effort to
get the calves through the weaning
period without loss of their milk
fat. Increase the grain ration so as
to have as little change as possible
in the rate of growth and fattening.
Creeps may be used so that the
calves can get their grain without
disturbance from the cows. Calves
from heavy-milking cows should be
weaned quite gradually, but calves
of cows giving little milk should be
weaned abruptly.

BLACK LILY

Her path was strewn with prim-
rose

So beautiful and fair was she
Like a lily in acres of thistles
Was my golden haired Rose Marie.

She was a child and I was a child
Playmates together were we
A jolly and blithe companion
Was my curly haired Rose Marie.

She was an angel of talent
So beautiful and charming was she
That everyone envied my darling
My blue-eyed Rose Marie.

We were traveling life's long jour-
ney

My coveted friend and me
A cold but righteous path we chose
I and my Rose Marie.

We came to a lane that was warm
er

And nearer to hell you see,
She plucked the weed, the prim
rose.

Then I parted from Rose Marie.

But my love, my soul, is still with
her

And ever shall it be
Yet my companionship is severed
From the sin-stained Rose Marie.

Helen Jennings, Morley, Mo.

A Southeast Missouri Colonel was
asked how it felt to be a colonel on
the Governor's staff and all dolled up
at the Governor's ball. He stated
that he felt a trifle embarrassed when
he first entered the bright lights, but
became more cheerful as the cheer
was met, until just before the clos-
ing hour he felt as good as Old
Grant—but next morning, he felt
like hell.

It has been many years since such
a heavy snow fall has visited South-
east Missouri. In years past with
plenty of snow and cold weather
farmers raised bountiful crops and
it may be that snow is a fertilizer
and that the freezing and thawing of
the ground helps absorb the fertiliz-
er that helps the seed put in the
ground. Anyway, every farmer will
put in all the acreage he can attend
and hope for the best.

Chickens of any variety, feathered
or dressed, thrive better on good
wholesome food. Manufacturers of
feeds for the feathered varieties pre-
pare their products on a scientific
basis and allow for every substance
that go to make health, bone, muscle,
feathers and eggs. There is no mix-
ture of mayonnaise anywhere given
for this sort of chicken. The other
variety like anything that is called a
salad and some even call for cham-
pagne and Russian caviar.

There are several advantages in
having cows freshen in the fall.
Butterfat usually brings a higher
price during the fall and winter
months. Labor is easier to obtain
then, and there is more time to care
for the calves and a large supply of
milk. The fall-freshening cow, if
properly fed and handled, will, as a
rule, produce well during the winter
months, falling off as spring opens.
At this time the spring pasture grass
will act as a stimulus and cause in-
creased production during the spring
and early summer. The period of low
production will come during July
and August, when conditions at best
are unfavorable for high production.
It is undesirable to have cows fresh-
en during the hot summer months,
because of hot weather, flies and
dried-up pastures. Fall-dropped calves
are easier to raise and usually
less subject to disease. Dairymen
who sell milk to a city retail trade
should have their cows freshen at all
seasons, of the year in order to keep
up a steady, constant flow of milk.

THIS WEEK IN MO. HISTORY
Floyd C. Shoemaker

On February 22, 1821, one hundred
and eight years ago this week, the
initial steps were taken toward es-
tablishment of the first Masonic
Grand Lodge in Missouri. On that
date delegates from three Missouri
lodges met in convention in St. Louis
and drafted resolutions regarding
the organization of the Grand Lodge
of Missouri and appointed a commit-
tee to draft its Constitution. Alho'
the Lodge was not formally organiz-
ed, nor its officers elected until April,
1821, the date of the February Con-
vention is significant as marking the
earliest effort at unification of Ma-
sonic bodies in Missouri and the in-
ception of the movement for the first
Masonic Grand Lodge organized west
of the Mississippi River.

It has been said that "Freemason-
ry follows the flag", and this would
seem to be especially true of the
Fraternity in the Mississippi Valley.
At the time of the transfer of upper
Louisiana to the United States in
1804, there were scarcely a dozen
Freemasons in all the vast region.
By 1808, however, there were two
lodges in what is now Missouri, and
but little more than a decade later
witnessed the organization of the
Missouri Grand Lodge. The roll of

members of the Craft in early Mis-
souri bears the names of many men
illustrious in the history of both ter-
ritory and State—among them those
of William Clark, Meriwether Lewis,
Edward and Frederick Bates, Thos.
H. Benton, John Scott, Lewis F. Linn,
Rufus Easton, Silas Bent, Henry S.
Geyer, Joseph Charles, and others
who left their impress upon nation-
al and State annals.

At the time the Grand Lodge of
Missouri was formed there were but
four lodges in Missouri (of the sev-
en which had been chartered since
1804) from which a Grand Lodge
could be organized: Missouri Lodge
No. 12 at St. Louis; Joachim Lodge
No. 25 at Herculaneum; St. Charles
Lodge No. 28 at St. Charles, and
Unity Lodge, U. D. at Jackson. The
first three were chartered by the
Grand Lodge of Tennessee; the
fourth was under dispensation from
the Grand Lodge of Indiana. The
membership of the four totaled less
than 100 men.

The only delegates known to have
attended the February Convention
were Edward Bates and William Ren-
shaw of the St. Louis lodge, William
Bates of the Herculaneum lodge, and
Nathaniel Simonds of the St. Charles
organization. "Accounts are ex-
tremely rare," says Mr. Denslow in
his History of Territorial Masonry
"...of Grand Lodges organized with
as few as three legitimate chartered
lodges—but then, these were Missour-
ians! Had not Louisiana organized a
Grand Lodge in 1812, Indiana in
1818, Kentucky in 1800 and Tennes-
see in 1813. Why not Missouri
which had this year entered the sis-
terhood of States?" Leading men in
the St. Louis lodge had felt for some
years the need of a central author-
ity for the organization and standard-
ization of the work and ritual of the
lodges of Missouri. Because of in-
adequate communications and the
hardships of travel at the early per-
iod, the Missouri organizations found
it difficult—often impossible—to send
representatives to Annual Communi-
cations in Tennessee and Indiana.
The time seemed ripe for the estab-
lishment of a Grand Lodge in the
State.

When the February Convention
met in St. Louis, Edward Bates,
Master of the St. Louis lodge, and a
guiding spirit not only in Missouri
Freemasonry, but in the legal and
political life of the State, was chosen
chairman, and William Renshaw
was made secretary. Following the
election of officers, resolutions were
drawn appointing Edward Bates, Na-
thaniel Simonds and William Bates, a
committee to draft a Constitution for
the proposed Grand Lodge, and pro-
viding for its distribution among the
subordinate lodges of the State. Sec-
tion 4 of the resolutions stipulated
that if a majority of the lodges rat-
ified the Constitution a meeting was
to be held on April 23, 1821, to or-
ganize the Missouri Grand Lodge.

The Constitution was duly ratified
by the Masonic Organizations of the
State and at the meeting held in St.
Louis in April, 1821, the Grand
Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted
Masons of Missouri was organized on
April 24.

In its more than century of exist-
ence in the State the Fraternity has
made a phenomenal growth. Be-
cause of the important part the Mis-
souri Grand Lodge played in the de-
velopment of Freemasonry in many
of the western and southwestern
States it has frequently been called
the Masonic colonizer of the West.

WASHINGTON LETTER

By W. L. Nelson, Rep. 8th Con. Dis.

Hoover and Curtis have been elect-
ed. The House and Senate met in
joint session, as the Constitution
provides, and officially announced the
vote of each State. The occasion,
with the Vice-President presiding,
was supposed to be a very formal
one, but the members were in merry
mood and notwithstanding the ad-
monitions of the chairman, who
smiled as he made a pretense at re-
primanding, there was considerable
chattering. Good-natured jests were
indulged in, but there was no ill
feeling. One Democrat proclaimed
in a rather loud voice, "Judging by
the first returns, it don't look very
good for Al and Joe". Later, the
totals of 444 for Hoover and 87 for
Smith were announced.

President Coolidge has signed the
Cruiser Bill, calling for an initial
expenditure of \$247,000,000 to build
15 cruisers and one aeroplane carrier,
work on all to commence at an early
date.

Secretary of Agriculture Jardine
has announced that he will retire
from the Cabinet on March 4. Co-
incident with this statement there
was made public, an outline of what
was said to constitute Hoover's farm
relief plan. The five points, as pub-
lished, include enactment of the re-
vised McNary Bill, which does not
carry the equalization fee principal
but would create a "stabilization
fund" and make available a fund of
from \$300,000,000 to \$500,000,000. Fi-
nancial aid in the way of loans would
be made to existing co-operative
marketing associations, with machin-
ery and financial assistance to aid in
federating co-operative associations.
An upper revision of the tariff on
farm commodities, and an early
opening of additional waterways
are other items.

There is much speculation as to
the next Secretary of Agriculture. A
J. Glover, of Heard's Dairyman, Wis-
consin, Louis J. Tabor of the Grange,
Thomas Campbell of Montana, one
of the biggest wheat growers in the
country, Dante M. Pierce, of the
Iowa Homestead, and some 20 others
are mentioned. Secretary Jardine
will take a position with the nation-
al Federated Fruit and Vegetable
Growers' Association. Farmers will
hope for something better under the
new secretary, whoever he may be.

The United States has a new Com-
missioner of Education. Dr. William
John Cooper, of California.

In the last Congress, the House
passed a bill under which every Gold
Star mother, or widow, whose hus-
band or son lies in one of the over-
seas military cemeteries, would be
provided transportation in order that
she might visit the grave. It is now
being urged that the Senate take ac-
tion on this measure.

The so-called Madden bill, provid-
ing for lease of the Muscle Shoals
project, is being actively fought by
commercial fertilizer interests. In
the last session both houses of Con-
gress passed a bill which would have
put the great plant at Muscle Shoals
to work, but President Coolidge killed
it by a "pocket veto".

The Senate Committee on Banking
has recommended a change in the

Federal Farm Loan Law, which
would give the Federal Board power
to make assessments upon stockhold-
ers in Joint Stock Land Banks, in
receiverships.

A singing tower with musical
bells and bird sanctuary, gift of Ed-
ward W. Bok, a foreign-born Amer-
ican who is big of heart and purse,
has been dedicated in Florida, Pres-
ident Coolidge delivering the address.
Pictures of the President show him
really smiling. Asked the cause, he
is said to have replied: "Mrs. Bok
wanted to know whether it was true
that the University of Edinburgh had
offered me the Chair of Thrift after
March 4". The bells referred to
could not be secured here, but had to
be imported from the Old World. An
effort has been made to get some
man or woman of wealth to make a
gift of musical bells for the Me-

Printed Velvets



Gay Patterns and a Variety
of Designs as Well as Dull
and Bold Colors Delight
the Eye in Winter Models

A printed velvet costume
has taken the place of the
printed chiffon that had such
a vogue during the summer season.
Gay patterns in small and large
scales, colors in every hue and
shades from the sheerest to heavy
velvets are seen in strikingly
novel and beautifully effective
winter models.

From the very wide field accord-
ing to these patterns, the uses of print-
ed velvet are varied. It creates a
durable dress for the afternoon in
bold colors and striking patterns,
subtly subdued with tiny floral
geometric patterns in other mod-
els in duller tones. In the evening
it also appears in a variety of
shades from the delicate pastels to
the more vivid tones with designs
of a harmonizing nature. Even
gold and silver threads are worked
into these formal velvets with stun-
ning results.

All sorts of colors and color com-
binations are used. From tones
which are more or less of the same
depth, they appear in patterns
which bring a startling contrast.
The smaller patterns such as dots,
cubes and checks being favored for
sports and informal gowns while
the afternoon and evening dresses
favor larger patterns of floral as
well as modernistic patterns.

Doris Dawson wears a most suc-
cessful costume in printed velvet in
First National's "Naughty Baby."
It illustrates the charm of the pliant,
form clinging velvet in a two-
piece afternoon suit in which rose,
blue and orchid tones are blended
in a conventional design. A semi-
circular skirt, and matching jacket
proclaim its chic. Sleeves of orchid
died fox and gardenias to match
complete a smart ensemble.

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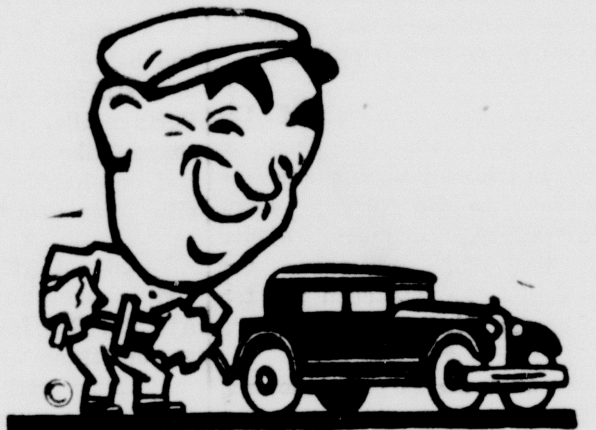
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How to Raise Poultry

By Dr. L. D. LeGear, V. S., St. Louis, Mo.

Dr. LeGear is a graduate of the Ontario Veterinary College, 1892. Thirty-six years of veterinary practice on diseases of live stock and poultry. Eminent authority on poultry and stock raising. Nationally known poultry breeder. Noted author and lecturer.

PULLETS FOR PROFIT WHEN WINTER COMES

Depend on the Youngsters for Heaviest Laying in Fall and Winter Months When Prices Are Highest, Says Dr. L. D. LeGear, V. S., of St. Louis, Mo.

"Youth will be served" so runs the old proverb. Of course, no reference to poultry was intended, but it happens to fit just the same. As a rule, pullets lay more eggs during their first laying season than during any subsequent season. Consequently, if hatches are correctly timed so that plenty of pullets will be brought to maturity some time during the latter part of August or September, a banner winter egg season is bound to follow. Pullets hatched during February or March, according to

breed, should begin laying just about the right time for winter eggs.

Pullets should not be allowed to come into maturity too quickly. Normally, a pullet starts to lay eggs as soon as she has reached maturity and her body has ceased to grow. Sometimes laying starts somewhat before full growth has been reached and further growth may cease. Such pullets may remain undersized and their eggs may be defective and small. If pullets are maturing too rapidly, their mash and animal food should be reduced. The grain rations may also be slightly increased, as pullets should have a good reserve store of body fat before they start laying. Otherwise they will not stand up well under the strain of laying and may fall considerably short of the possible maximum egg production. For that reason, many poultry men make a marked increase in the quantity of grains fed to the pullets as their combs begin to redden. At the same time, they cut down on the mash and animal food; beef scraps or similar material. The grain is fattening, whereas the animal food being no longer required for muscle building as the birds reach maturity, may start egg production before it is desirable.

It is usually considered better not to force pullets into premature laying by feeding large quantities of mash. Instead, limit the mash until pullets are quite ready to lay and, by

feeding a greater amount of grain, to get them fat. Such a ration emphasizes the fat making material and, by withholding the egg-making materials, removes the danger of a too early maturity. Mash should not be entirely eliminated, as it contains materials needed for building up the muscles of young fowls. Too much of it, however, may precipitate egg laying before it is desirable. Give the developing pullets all the grain they will eat during early fall and after they come into normal laying, gradually decrease grain with a corresponding increase in mash feeding.

If pullets have been properly developed along the lines just described above, they should begin laying just as they are put into winter quarters. Their quarters should not be changed once they start laying. Such a change will usually cause a molt and falling off in the egg yield. Furthermore, pullets should never be housed with older hens. The more mature hens annoy the younger ones and that too interferes with their laying. From this point on, the usual rules for feeding and handling laying hens will apply to pullets developed especially for winter egg production.

Of course, I do not mean that older hens are incapable of winter egg production merely because I have emphasized the desirability of developing pullets for that season. With proper culling, breeding and feeding, hens can be made to lay almost as many eggs during the winter months as in warmer weather. The subject of special feeding and handling of fowls for winter egg production is, however, of sufficient importance to constitute a separate article all by itself.

The reason for emphasizing ways of increasing winter egg production is, of course, that prices reach their very highest peak at that time. It is, therefore, desirable not only to produce as many winter eggs as possible, but also to market every possible one of those that are produced then. Practically all of them can be marketed by preserving and keeping for home use the low priced eggs of spring and summer.

It is very easy to preserve eggs for future use by putting them down in water glass, a syrupy liquid that can be obtained from almost any druggist. This water glass should be mixed with nine parts of cold boiled water and the solution kept in crocks or stone jars. Kegs or barrels may also be used if absolutely clean and free from odors provided they are thoroughly scalded. Fill the jar or keg partly full of the water glass solution and put in the eggs from day to day as they are gathered. Be sure there is always at least two inches of solution over the eggs. No dirty or cracked eggs should be used nor any about which there is any doubt as to when they were laid. They must be absolutely fresh, laid the same day they are put in the solution.

The cost of preserving eggs in this way is very small and calls for almost no work at all. Eggs in water glass will keep for six or eight months if stored in a cool, dark place, well covered, and may then be used for all cooking purposes or for the table. The advantages of this plan certainly should be apparent without argument.

I have not attempted to go into any great detail in this article. On the contrary, I have tried only to suggest enough so the reader will want to know more about methods of increasing the winter profits from his flock.

KEEP WARM WATER BEFORE THE HENS

Clean, warm water is the cheapest of all poultry feeds and one of the most important. Because the egg is 65 per cent water, hens cannot lay unless they drink heavily, something they are not likely to do if their drinking water is dirty or coated with ice.

Drinking fountains should be large enough to hold at least a half day's supply of water, say poultrymen, and numerous enough to provide plenty of drinking space for the flock. Fountains should also be sanitary and easy to keep clean. Mounting drinking vessels on stands about 15 inches from the floor helps to keep straw and litter out of the water. Flock owners who have electric lights in the poultry house find that they can fill thermos-type fountains with hot water in the evening so that it will be warm for the hens the following morning when the lights go on.

Kennett—Hamphill Lumber Company repairs mill after shut-down for repairs.

A "fitting" period of several weeks is necessary for the farm work horse if he is to be in good condition for heavy spring work. Changes in kind and quality of feed and in amount of work should be made very gradually. Put the horse on a smaller ration of fine-quality hay early in the spring and start him on a light feed of grain three times daily.

LIONS CLUB HAVE ENJOYABLE AFFAIR

Following the singing of "America", C. E. Brenton gave the invocation. Chairman Lee Bowman turned the evening over to Capt. E. T. Wheatley, as toastmaster.

During the serving of a delicious meal by the Hotel Marshall staff, the following musical program arranged by Mrs. Bess Cook, was rendered: Vocal Solo—"I Want a Daddy To Cuddle Me", Miss Maxine Finley. Violin Solo—"Liebesfreud", Miss Margaret Woods.

Vocal Solo—"I Faw Down and Go Boom", Catherine Ann Cook. Vocal Solo—"The Song I Love", Miss Ann Beck.

Harmonica medley, Lynn Swaim. Selection by the Ann-Vin-Max Trio, Misses Ann Beck, Virginia Mount and Maxine Finley.

The toastmaster then announced that no topics had been previously assigned, and that the remarks would be as much a surprise to the speakers as to the hearers.

Relativity, or why I believe in Skeston, L. M. Stallcup.

Flood relief and the full dinner pail, or why I smile when others frown, Tom Allen.

The reason for the downfall of the Populist Party in 1892, or what have you, R. E. Bailey.

Why it does not pay to sell milk and cream, or what Skeston could do to improve the parks, Charles Hebbeler.

Service in John Bull's Army or why we must all add pep to the organizations to which we belong, "Tip" Keller.

After the collection of several fines for actual and alleged misdemeanors, the real treat of the evening was presented:

Mr. Brady gave a remarkable exhibition of memory.

He had arrived in Skeston on Thursday and had seen none of the guests until they arrived at the hotel. However, he called by name each person present and gave other remarkable memory tests.

Mr. Bailey's remarks were the hit of the evening.

Following this, music was furnished for dancing by all.

"SELF IMPOSED TAX CHIEF BURDEN ON LAND"—MOORE

School taxation was given special consideration again at the February 11 night session of the Charleston Kiwanis Club, with Joe Moore as the principal speaker.

The discussion led by Mr. Moore was in a way intended to point out some of the difficulties which might be experienced in passing a school tax bill through the State Legislature to raise \$8,000,000 for use among needy districts. The speaker pointed out the opposition which would invariably be raised by representatives of Kansas City, St. Louis and other populous centers, to a bill which would cause a tax on their constituents. In Moore's estimation, it is doubtful if enough support could be lined up to make such an act effective. At the same time he recognized the serious tax burden, especially in regard to school taxes now being carried by the land owners of Mississippi and adjoining counties. Referring again to the possible sources of tax revenue through levies on corporations and personal incomes, the speaker stated that he was confident such a bill could not be passed unless the State Property Tax were also increased.

In his estimation, it is not the State taxes now levied that are hurting land owners so much as it is the self-imposed improvement taxes such as school, drainage, levee etc.

Using his own records to emphasize this statement, the speaker pointed out the rapid increase in school taxes on certain farm lands with the following as example. On one piece of farm property in Scott County, the school tax in 1914 was \$52.90. In 1923, the school tax on the same farm was \$457.

In the Walnut Grove District, Moore stated that in 1916 his school tax on one farm was \$6.37, and in 1919 this tax had been increased to \$112.

In the Bridges School District, he pointed out an increase from \$11 in 1919 to \$246 in 1924 on a farm only part of which laid within the boundaries of the district.

In Diehlstadt School District, on 160 acres, he showed that he had paid a school tax of \$19.21 in 1921 and \$141 in 1927.

The conclusion which Mr. Moore drew from the presentation of increases on school taxes alone on certain land under his control, was that after all, the tax burdens in this section has been largely self-imposed as a result of the desire of residents of the country to improve their condition, make their land suitable for farming, and educate their children. He did not think that any



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Fur coats, however, are distinctly classified. There are few coats that answer an all-around purpose. Both the silhouette and the fur satisfy a demand for suitability. Sports, afternoon and evening coats are distinctly different.

Sports models showed a tendency to follow conservative lines and the straight, slender silhouette was favored for this purpose. Occasional flares subtly introduced below the waistline or from the shoulder, the upper section of the coat being slightly molded, featured afternoon styles. Evening models showed the greatest departure from straight lines. Here all sorts of interesting treatments and exaggerated lines were used to demonstrate the versatility of the mode.

Notes of interest in general were found reflected in the collar treatment. The upstanding, Panolin collar, the shawl effect brought to one hip, the scarf treatment, the Tuxedo collar, revers, the kerchief idea of scarf and the cravat effect are all seen suitably placed.

Short jackets are featured in the

fur mode. They accompany all types of dresses and are the favored inspiration of Paris. They are most often shown as parts of ensembles, the lining often matching the accompanying dress.

Sports and coats for general wear are being shown in Pony, Opossum, Caracul and a new fur, European Lamb, a cross between Beaver and Otter.

In more formal coats Summer Ermine, flat Caracul, Krimmer, Nutria, amber Seal, Hudson Seal, Broadtail, Persian Lamb, natural and dyed Squirrel and Mink. Evening modes are introducing Ermine again in its snowy whiteness in all sorts of unusual silhouettes. Cape effects are novel and much favored. Chinchilla and Mink, too, are taking their accustomed places in the very expensive and very beautiful formal wraps.

Doris Dawson has selected her season's collection of fur coats with much care and discrimination. Miss Dawson realizes the necessity of the small person choosing flat furs to give height and slenderness and in general is seen in coats of a straight-line silhouette relying upon smart details for chic. In First National's "Naughty Baby" Miss Dawson wears a lovely wrap of squirrel and one of American broadtail—both simple in line and flat of fur.

"Naughty Baby"
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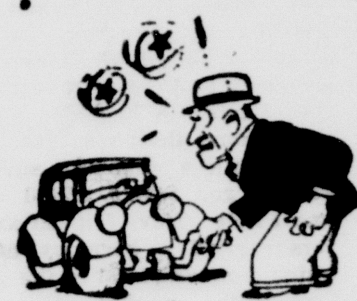
We wish to thank our friends for the words of sympathy, the beautiful floral offering and the inspiring words of Rev. C. C. Barnhardt. Also the choir, the Eastern Star, the Masons and the Odd Fellows, for their assistance in the loss of our husband and father.

Mrs. A. B. Dill and Family.

Fornfelt to get hose weaving plant to employ 350 men and women.

Many students come to college just to get atmosphere, says a dean at Columbia. Maybe that's why so many get the air.—Schenectady Union Star.

Nothing makes daughter more indignant than father's not being able to make money enough so mother can dress as she does.—Cincinnati Enquirer.



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one person would be blamed for the present situation, but he voiced the opinion of many others in stating that under present conditions it is apparent that much farm land is taxed beyond its capacity to pay.

Time did not permit Mr. Moore to go into further details or offer suggestions as to a remedy which might be applied within a reasonable length of time. It was understood that the subject would be discussed again and in greater detail in the near future, at another meeting of the Club.

C. L. Joslyn, Chairman of the Attendance Committee, was unanimously supported in a motion to maintain a high average attendance at Club meetings during 1929 by dividing the membership into three groups with Frank Hequembourg, Frank Lair, Jr. and himself responsible for the groups assigned to each. Guests attending the meeting included L. T. Berthe and William Steele.

"GOLD NUGGETS" FROM THE SOIL

The soybean crop is the new pot of gold to be found where the rainbow of profit touches the agricultural horizon. This is the conclusion to be reached from studying the past history and present status of this crop, which is rapidly growing in favor with thousands of farmers in the Corn Belt and in the old Cotton Belt.

The soybean plant is one of the most valuable soil builders among the legumes. It is an excellent hay crop and forms a valuable protein supplement for feeding livestock, being utilized extensively in commercial feeds and as a supplement for corn in feeding cattle and hogs. Commercial utilization of the soybean as a valuable source of vegetable oil for paints, enamels, varnishes, linoleum, soap stocks, rubber substitutes, glue, printers' inks, glycerine, as well as various food products waits only upon a sufficient supply of beans to afford a year around supply for oil extracting factories.

In feeding tests at Purdue University, the substitution of whole soybeans for cottonseed meal in the ration for feeding steers increased the profit per steer from \$6.74 with cotton seed meal to \$12.91 when soybeans were used. At Ohio, cooked soybeans proved very valuable as part of the ration for fattening hogs.

Soybeans substituted for oats in the ordinary Corn Belt crop rotation scheme have increased profits materially.

The University of Illinois has recently published to Bulletin No. 310, "Soybean Production in Illinois" which tells in detail how soybeans can be grown and utilized. It may be secured free of charge by writing to the University at Urbana, Ill.

MISSOURI HOUSE PASSES ROAD ACTS FOR \$158,000,000

Jefferson City, February 14.—The road bond enabling acts were passed in quick time by the House today, ending the fight for scientific expenditures of the \$75,000,000 of road bond money and surplus revenues, the two making a total of approximately \$158,000,000.

With only two negative votes, the House passed the bills, which had been passed by the Senate, and now all that remains to make them effective is the signature of Gov. Caulfield.

When the House reached the road bills as a special order of business shortly after 11 o'clock, Chairman Wingo of the Committee on Roads and Highways submitted a favorable report from the Committee on the Senate bills, and to expedite the legislation, moved that they be substituted for the House bills and placed on final passage.

With the exception of Representative Duboise of Texas County and Lawson of Ozark County, all of the group which had supported the substitute, which would have taken \$40,000,000 arbitrarily for the building of local roads, and who were defeated in the House a week ago, supported the bills in the form they came from the Senate.

Both bills carried emergency clauses and these will be in effect as soon as signed by the Governor. The Highway Department, it has been announced, will begin preparations immediately for the expenditure of at least \$20,000,000 of the money this year, practically all going toward the completion of the State highway system as now laid out. Before the actual issuance of the bonds a friendly test suit will be instituted in the Supreme Court to establish without question the validity of the bonds.

Marshfield—Marshfield Milling Co. installs new feed mixer.

This issue is another one of the unusual, edited by the editor of this paper. Probably not another one like this will ever be put out from this office.

FOR SALE—Premier vacuum cleaner. All attachments. Phone 444.

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"Out of consideration for his financial troubles", it has been decided that the ex-kaizer shall be exempted from taxation for several years.

An astronomer says he believes Mars is working in closer to Jupiter and away from the earth. And the Kellogg treaty not a year old!—Council Bluffs Nonpareil.

Paris has a law passed in 1770 which has never been repealed. It reads: "Anyone who entices into marriage a male subject of His Majesty by means of rouge, or scent, or artificial teeth, or false hair, shoes with high heels, crinolines or false hips, will be prosecuted for fraud and the marriage will be declared null and void".

Afternoon Frocks Feature Etons



The Mode for Short Coats Is Stressed in a Late Collection of Street Dresses

ALTHOUGH coats range from waist to full length, the outstanding type sponsored by the younger women is the short jacket in bolero or eton effect, particularly with rather flared, boxed lines. Some of these frocks are in monotonous, others introduce contrast either for the top of the frock or for inset bandings on the collars, cuffs, sleeves and hips. On the other hand, bodices in contrasting colors giving the effect of a tuck-in blouse are equally as popular. The colors in which these costumes are developed add materially to their effectiveness. Soft greens, reds, rose, yellow and quantities of blue predominate.

The jackets are collarless as a general rule and, in some cases, feature a narrow tuxedo effect. Skirts favor an all around fullness, whether they are pleated or flared, the fullness falling in quite low, in contrast to the fitted hip treatment, which appears in all of these dresses.

An interesting costume in navy blue crepe with a boxed jacket featured a two-tone sleeveless dress, the top of which was of yellow crepe and the skirt of the navy blue shade. A shoulder yoke cut on diagonal lines matches the hip yoke, while a wide blue sash belt with a gold clasp added a very smart note. Navy felt hat and slippers carried a harmony of color which is so essential to the general tone of the daytime ensemble.

A two piece frock that illustrates the clever blending of color characteristics is worn by Alice White in "Naughty Baby" a First National Picture. It is developed in flat crepe and satin. An all around pleated skirt is topped by a sleeveless blouse of a gay Roman striped satin. Wrist ties and a kerchief add a jaunty note. Miss White favors this type of frock and has a large selection of varied design and color.

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Wednesday, Feb. 27th

REVIVAL AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH DRAWS BIG CROWDS

Sunday was again a wonderful day at the Christian Church, and at the morning services, Mrs. Burns rendered a solo that was well received. The evening services were marked by an overflow audience, and after a great song service and roll call, the Evangelist delivered a lecture sermon, "The World's Greatest Pageant", and many complimentary remarks are being received from same. This is the last week of this revival, and to-night the sermon subject will be "The Man Born Blind" and Tuesday, "Saul's Conversion" and Wednesday evening, "Excuses" and Thursday evening, "The Origin of the Churches", Friday evening, "Divine Gold From Human Dross". Sunday morning, "The Order and Meaning of the Lord's Table" and that evening, "Jesus Christ and Him Crucified".

Sunday night, the evangelist took his audience through great scenes he experienced all over the world, from China, Europe, England and America. In his closing remarks, he said in part:

"The most marvelous part of all of the preaching of the Word was that even now, 2000 years after the advent of Christ, that His spirit is the all impelling influence that brings men into His Kingdom, and to think that even now, after that the Bible has been kicked at for all these years, that the only influence that makes for good in the world, is the Gospel of Christ, which is leavening the whole world's aspect, and hanging men from savages to reasoning humans. Men who have gone down into the gutter of sin, have arisen to the very zenith of God's glory, women who have been so down that no one would touch them, have been made whole and active members in society and through their redemption have been an influence to all who met them as they press on to the goal before them. The skeptic and unbeliever cannot see how that men can be renovated, made new, by obedience to the Divine will of God. Men all over the world have come upon the horizon of thought, and for a time startled men out of their lethargy, but it was never of a lasting nature. And these same unbelievers cannot account for the power of the Gospel, but Paul said that he was not ashamed of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, for it was the power of God unto salvation to those who believed. In this day when men seek to put on the bizarre to attract men from all walks of life, if they will but revert to the truths of God, they will become a magnet that needs other attraction. By the acceptance of that same truth, cowards are made into heroes, weak men are made strong, and doubters become the most possible convincing of men everywhere.

In this meeting we are not trying to attract by the tinsel of the circus, or the stage, and when men accept Christ under such conditions as we lay down, they will not soon be moved from the paths of truth.

While we look the part of a cattle man, we were at one time a rider of the range, when we first left school, and on the Flying V ranch in South Western, South Dakota, we won our spurs there, by riding outlaws that no man could ride, and the best attest of this is our ever present bow-legs.—Evangelist O. P. Belanger.

Fortunately, sustained flights of oratory can't be prolonged by taking on more gas.—Memphis News-Scimitar.

In the temporary lull on Wall Street the short lambs are growing another crop of wool.—Cincinnati Times-Star.

And one reason why conscience so often has a still small voice is because it's a still small conscience.—Dallas News.

Dr. Einstein's theory seems to suggest that he whistled into his Alphabet Soup.—Philadelphia Evening Public Ledger.

A "seer" says 1929 will be a fortunate year for females, thus making the tenth year of that kind since 1918.—Kingston Whig.

And if the apes could chatter in our lingo they might agree that man did plenty of descending while he was at it.—Dallas News.

King Amanullah of Afghanistan couldn't make his people shave, but he had a rather close one himself.—Schenectady Union-Star.

Play after play has failed in New York this season. People just can't get a thrill out of the same old cuss words.—Nelson (B. C.) News.

The largest piece of ivory in the world has been found in Alaska and is on its way to Washington without being elected.—Sumter (S. C.) Item.

No man works harder against his own interests than the man who works for them exclusively.—Boston Herald.

It would seem that modern cities and modern youth are much alike; they both need more home rule.—Virginia Pilot.

Local and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Allen spent the week-end in Cairo.

Sergeant Max Jackson and C. L. Blanton, Jr., drove to St. Louis Friday morning to spend the week-end.

Mrs. Vigal, who has been the guest of Mrs. Betty Matthews for a week, returned to her home in St. Louis, Sunday.

Mrs. Ida Van Ausdale of Caruthersville, who visited her niece, Mrs. Earl Johnson, returned to her home, Sunday.

On so-called "clover sick" land where red clover will not grow well, alsike clover can often be grown successfully.

The Co-Workers will meet with Mrs. A. J. Moore at her home Tuesday afternoon. All members are urged to attend.

Mrs. Lilbourn Stepp and little daughter, Louise, of New Madrid, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. W. Myers, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rubenstein and little son, of Perryville, spent Sunday in Sikeston, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sarsar.

Miss Pickel of St. Louis arrived in Sikeston Sunday and will be with Mrs. Ben Welter at the Elite Hat Shop for the season.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Mocabee and Mrs. Iva Mocabee and sons, all of Morehouse, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Malone.

Miss Ollie Cravens of Jackson, Tenn., and Miss Mayme Cory of St. Louis were over-night guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Bailey.

Mrs. L. D. Marlowe of Lilbourn and Mrs. J. E. McCord and son, Billie of New Madrid, were guests at the R. A. McCord home last week.

Misses Hyacinth Sheppard, Doris Gilbert and Evelyn Sutton spent the week-end in Cairo, the guests of Miss Shepard's sister, Mrs. R. A. Moll and family.

Miss Mildred Stubblefield, teacher in the school at Clayton, spent Sunday in Sikeston with her mother, Mrs. Jennie Stubblefield, and other friends.

Misses Lois Taylor and Dorothy Lloyd of Lilbourn and Miss Thelma Sheppard of Mankato, Minn., were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. McCord.

Mesdames Betty Matthews, Jane Mills, Cy Harris, Miss DeGuire and Mrs. Vigal drove to Poplar Bluff Saturday and spent the day with Mrs. John Corrigan.

Guests at the R. A. McCord home are: Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Glascock of Veedersburg, Ind., Miss Mayme Cory of St. Louis and Miss Ollie Cravens of Jackson, Tenn.

Mrs. Mary Reed of this city, and Cecil Reed and family of Benton, were called to Evansville, Ind., Friday, on account of the death of Bert Dimmitt, a relative.

Mrs. Albert O. Allen and daughters, Charlotte, Adelaide and Alberta Maude, and Miss Margaret Dawson, of New Madrid, were Sikeston visitors Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. John Davis, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. John Davis, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Paul Davis and two sons of Collinsville, Ill., were the week-end guests of Mrs. E. J. Malone, Sr.

Ralph Anderson will leave for Jacksonville, Ill., Wednesday and expects to return the last of the week with his family, who have been on an extended visit there.

We are very glad to report that John Inman of Cape Girardeau, who has been ill in the hospital, is much improved. John had a very serious attack of pneumonia several months ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Lilbourn Stepp and little daughter, Louise, of near New Madrid spent Sunday in Sikeston. Mr. Stepp returned to New Madrid Sunday evening, but Mrs. Stepp and daughter remained for a few days' visit.

The noise of the engine, together with the rapidly-changing atmospheric pressure on the delicate structures of the auditory apparatus, dulls the sense of hearing so that now many aviators are slightly deaf, according to Lieut. Col. L. M. Hathaway, chief medical officers of the army air corps. If aviators are affected in this way, is it not reasonable to believe that stunt-flying as a cure for deafness has slight merit?

In the manufacture of concrete for use on some floors where strength is not required and lightness is desired, there has been made use of a combination of wood chips and concrete which answers a great many purposes, but the material was more expensive than it need be by reason of the fact that the chips had to be especially prepared for the purpose. Peanut shells have been experimented with for the purpose and have been found to be quite satisfactory and to cut the cost.

INDUSTRIAL NEWS FROM OVER MISSOURI

Spring City—Seneca highway rapidly nearing completion.

Moberly Kraft Cheese Company opens plant here.

Thompson—Company laying new pipe line system, purchases local property on which to build pumping station.

Mexico announces 1929 paving plans.

Empire District Electric Company making industrial survey of towns in territory that would be supplied by proposed giant Table Rock hydroelectric project.

Medill ships carload poultry to New York.

Harrisonville—Local machine shop installs power feed grinder capable of handling several hundred bushels a day.

St. Charles rice mill reopens.

Kennett gets new drug store.

West Plains—New produce house opened on West Main Street.

Neosho—Local Pet Milk plant shipped 29 cars milk in four days.

Hamilton—First National Bank moves to new quarters, while burned building is repaired.

Ludlow—County jail being repaired and renovated.

Thayer—Morris Mercantile Company moves into new home.

Pleasant Hill—Neal's Pleasant Hill Laundry purchases new equipment.

Willmathsville rebuilds after disastrous explosion and first last summer.

Carthage—Cameo Theatre installs sound pictures.

Trenton—Hoffman building being enlarged and remodeled.

Trenton had 47 more telephones than it had last year.

Bonne Terre—Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company store reopens.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MATTHEWS

The tournament held here Friday and Saturday was one of the most interesting events our little town has ever had. The immense crowds attending each game showed the appreciation of our people. The gym was crowded Friday and Saturday nights and there wasn't standing room. Our boys, we are proud to say, won the beautiful trophy, a silver basketball ball. The lowest score made by the boys was 42. The Matthews boys were entertained after their victory Saturday night with a supper at O. V. Denbow's restaurant. Mr. Denbow served the boys all the ham and eggs they could eat. On Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Rodgers entertained them with a dinner.

Lavelle Cox has returned from Flint, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Deane and Mrs. Roy Alsop attended the funeral of James Midgett at the Sikeston Memorial Park, Friday afternoon.

Lesal Caruthers and Elmo Bledsoe, both of Matthews, slipped off to Sikeston Sunday to get their brides. Mr. Caruthers was married to Emma Gross and Bledsoe was married to Geraldine Carr. The double ceremony took place Sunday morning at New Madrid.

The drug store operated here by George Ross of Lilbourn, was closed last week.

Wade Tucker of Sikeston was in Matthews, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell of Sikeston were in Matthews Friday.

Mrs. Thelma Caldwell, who was operated on for appendicitis at the Emergency Hospital at Sikeston, is getting along fine.

Mrs. Hazel Stroud and sister, Margery Burch, motored to Sikeston, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stancil and children of Bertrand, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Benford.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Daugherty shopped in Sikeston, Saturday.

Olen Critchlow and Clyde Williford went to New Madrid Sunday to witness the marriage ceremony of Lesal Caruthers and Elmo Bledsoe.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Watkins motored to Sikeston, Wednesday.

Mesdames Hubert Boyer and Jack Matthews of Sikeston were visitors here Wednesday.

Agriculture, Canada's most important industry, is engaged in by more than half of her population.

Canada's leading groups of manufacturers are wood and paper, vegetable, iron and steel and textile products.

There is ample evidence that the ancient Romans made use of window glass, although in the meantime it seems to have been a lost art. Specimens of this glass have been found and, as a rule, the panes were about 12 by 16 inches, although larger ones have been found. Glass was known in Egypt at an earlier date.

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FOR RENT—5-room house with lights, near school and business district. See Mrs. Jane Mills. Phone 200.

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FOR SALE—1 mare, 15 hands high, broke to work, in foal. Phone 380.—H. J. Welsh. Will sell cheap, if sold at once.

WANTED—To sell or trade a 9-room modern home with one acre of ground for a small home. Call 109.—The Gresham's, St. Louis.

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SHARE CROPPER—Three grown men in group desire to farm on share cropping basis this year. Landowners write Box 133, Morley, Mo. 2tpd.

WANTED—Good used wagon scales. —E. C. Robinson Lumber Co., Sikeston, Mo.

FOR SALE—Upright piano, in good repairs.—Mrs. Harry Stubbs, Blodgett, Mo. 2w.

FOR SALE—Queen incubator, 240 egg size, good as new.—Mrs. Jess Bilderback, 1 mile north Rootwad school house. 2tpd.

JOBS WANTED—For High School pupils. Phone 440, St. Louis.

WANTED—Man with car who can sell automobile and tractor oils of the farm trade. An unusual opportunity. Previous experience unnecessary. In answering, state territory preferred.—The Lennox Oil & Paint Co., Dept. Sales, Cleveland, Ohio. 2t.

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CHAPTER X

Out of Luck

"So far, Jack, you and Mr. Zarank seem to have had most of the fun, pronounced my cousin Betty, as we sat at luncheon in the Kings' private sitting-room in the Pera palace.

"What interests me," said Hugh thoughtfully, "is how many of those Johnnies you scragged last night."

"Only the one, I think," replied Nikka.

"You hit another chap," I reminded him.

"Yes, but two off their strength doesn't mean any great reduction in their fighting force."

"Still, counting in those two and the men they sent off with their women, as Nikka's pals reported, they'll be a good bit weaker than they were," argued Hugh.

"Just the same," insisted Betty, "we ought not to run any unnecessary risks."

"Who's we?" I inquired.

"See here, Jack," she flashed, "you might as well understand that I am in this and I am going to have my part in whatever we do."

"Hear, hear," Hugh applauded fervently.

Nikka laughed.

"How about it, Vernon?" I demanded of my uncle.

He spread his hands in a gesture of deprecation.

"My dear Jack," he said, "within reasonable limits, Betty's judgment is to be depended upon. Moreover, a not unimportant consideration is that she knows how to run a motor, and in our excursions in the Curlew her aid has been of some value."

"Don't be stuffy, Jack," urged Hugh. "Give the girl a chance. There are lots of things she can do, so I'm mixing it with your friend Toutou. I gather that Nikka's lady friend in the hostile camp was not averse—"

"That's a different matter," I interrupted, perceiving the embarrassment on Nikka's face.

We had slurred over Kara's personal interest in his fortunes, but even so, the incident, to quote Betty's analysis, was "romantic to the degree."

"I don't see that it is," asserted Betty stubbornly, "and I intend to play my part."

"Darn it all," I laughed. "You won't let up, will you? Well, have it your own way. What do you want to do?"

"Run you down the Bosphorus after dark for a look at Tokalji's house from the water side," she answered promptly.

Hugh intervened.

"There's no question in the minds of you two chaps but that any attack ought to come from the water front. Is there?" he asked.

"It couldn't very well come from the street," replied Nikka. "There's a high windowless wall and a strong door, and even in that lawless quarter publicity would attend an armed invasion of private property."

"Of course," said Betty, her head in the air. "It couldn't be any other way. Now tell us some more about the hiding-place of the treasure."

"What more can we say?" I answered. "There's the courtyard and the red stone."

"It would be a task of some difficulty to pry loose the covering of the treasure chamber," King remarked. "We have—or rather, I should say, Betty has—taken precautions to install on board the Curlew an equipment of crowbars, pick-axes, shovels, chisels and other tools—"

"—and a knotted rope with a grapple on the end to help in going up the sea-wall," reminded Betty.

"True, my dear. Your forethought has been admirable. What I was about to say, however, was that a certain amount of time—I fear, perhaps, an inordinate amount of time—will be required to pry loose the covering of the vault. How are we to secure ourselves such an opportunity?"

"By choosing a time when the occupants of the house are off-watch and their numbers diminished," declared Hugh.

"True," agreed Nikka, "yet I confess I don't see how—"

And to make a long story short we bunched it over all afternoon until tea-time, without arriving at any clearer view of the outlook before us. By that time we were sick of the discussion, and voted to suspend. Vernon King and Betty went to a reception at the British high commissioner's, and the rest of us planned to take a

walk on the chance of running into Wasso Mikail, who had promised to come over to Pera in the afternoon if his spies picked up any additional information.

The first person we saw in the hotel lobby was Money Hilyer.

"I say, Chesby," he drawled in tones that reached all the bystanders, "I don't know what sort of a lark you fellows were up to last night, but really, you know, you can't take liberties with natives in the East—and especially, with their women. Really, old chap, you ought to be careful. In your place, I think I'd clear out of Constantinople. No knowing what kind of trouble you may get into."

Hugh was frugal. He looked Hilyer up and down with cold scorn.

"Are you taking a flyer in black-mall, by any chance?" he asked deliberately.

"Not yet," answered Hilyer cheerfully. "No knowing, though. Matter of act, at present, I'm protecting some poor natives who fear they are going to be victimized by a gang of foreigners."

"Well, whatever you are doing, I should prefer that you keep away from me in the future," said Hugh. "I can't afford to have the Jockey club stewards hear that I've been talking to you."

As it happened, the one episode in Hilyer's plebeian past that irked his pride and aroused sore memories was his suspension from the privileges of the turf. The man was a sincere horseman, his racing ventures had been the breath of life to him, his disgrace and compulsion to enter his thoroughbreds under other men's colors had been a bitter blow. And he showed this feeling now. His face went dead-white; his nostrils pinched in.

"All right, Chesby," he said curtly. "I won't forget that."

And he disappeared into the bar.

"And he was hard on him," said Nikka seriously. "After all, why should you mind anything that he can say?"

"He was hoping that Miss King as within hearing distance," retorted Hugh. "A dog like that doesn't deserve consideration."

"Some people believe a dog does deserve consideration," Lord Chesby, said a feminine voice behind us.

We turned to face Helene de Cespedes. The Countess Sandra Vassilievna was with her. Maude Hilyer, her face as ghastly as her husband's, was hurrying away from them.

"You may be enemies, but why should you make a woman cry?" added the Russian girl. "She will be unhappy the rest of the day."

"I'm very sorry," answered Hugh stiffly, "but do you sincerely believe that her husband is entitled to insult me in public?"

"It was a rotten thing," he said, "admitted Helene frankly. "And of course, he is a rotter. But as I told you boys once, they are a queer pair, and Maude—well, she really thinks that if they ever get into a state of affluence, they can both turn around and live straight. It's d—d silly, but—do you believe in fairies? Those who don't generally envy those who do."

"We don't believe in fairies," I answered, "and we don't believe in letting a man who is a thief get away with a gratuitous insult."

"Oh, you're right," said Sandra Vassilievna impartially, "from your own point of view. But I'm going to tell Maude that she'll only ruin her complexion if she weeps for what an offensively honest man says to her."

Helene laughed as the Russian walked off.

"Women are almost as funny as men, aren't they?" she said. "Oh, say, before I forget it, Mr. Nash, you want to look out for that girl's brother. You slammed him one or two in that fight at Chesby, and he's had it in for you ever since. And after last

night, all the men are wild. If that gypsy Tokalji catches you—phew! Oh, boy! And Toutou!"

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now," she answered slowly. "Poor old fellow! I was darned sorry he was croaked. We none of us—well, what's the use talking? That Toutou! I a devil, Mr. Nash knows it. I only ope he and the rest of you don't get to know him any better. But about your uncle, Lord Chesby. He was a cinch. He ran around here like a kid in a game of 'Cops-and-thieves.' Everybody knew he was up to something. The authorities thought he was just a nut. But when he took to snooping around Tokalji's house, our folks got wise to it he might be on to something good. Tokalji's tribe have always had this tradition of a treasure—but you know about that. Tokalji had been working with us since before the war, and he realized this was more than he could tackle by himself, so he called on Toutou. Say, Mr. Zaranko, on the level now, did that gink of Tokalji's sell out to you last night?"

Nikka stared at her blankly, his face a perfect mask.

"We had a good deal of trouble with her," he returned. "Had to tie her up. She was right on our heels, with her knife."

Helene shook her head.

"Yes, that's true, but—I saw her this morning. Humph! Maybe I'm a fool. I told Toutou to mind his own business, and not mix into the tribe's affairs. Tokalji said she was all right, and that ought to be enough."

"God help Toutou if he went after her," I said facetiously.

Helene gave me a quick glance.

"Maybe you're right," she said. "I've often wondered what Toutou would do against a woman who would use a knife. He—he gets 'em in a different way. Well, I'm babbling, which is a sign of old age. Be good, boys, and give up before you get into serious trouble. As ever, your well-wisher, Helene."

And she tripped off.

"What a delightful criminal," I remarked. "Somehow I don't mind so much the idea of being plucked by her."

"You're losing your perspective," growled Hugh, who was in a righteous frame of mind, partly because he was in love and partly because of his clash with Hilyer. "A crook is a crook. They're all against us. I don't know but that the women are the most dangerous where you are concerned, Jack. Why are you so d—d susceptible?"

At which I laughed. Nikka walking beside us, had no ears for our conversation. His thoughts were on that slim, brown Tzizane maid about whom Helene de Cespedes had inquired. But he woke up a book farther on, when a big, turbaned figure shambled past us, with a guttural exclamation from the corner of his mouth. At the next corner there was a traffic block, and we ground casually around Wasso Mikail.

"Tokalji's women and children are in camp beyond Boghazkui on the edge of the forest of Belgrade," he murmured. "There are five men with them. Five other men have left Sokak Masyerl since morning. If Franks were there they have gone."

"It is good, my uncle," returned Nikka, affecting to speak to Hugh. Continue the watch. If there is more to report bid one of your young men lounge before the khan where we are staying tomorrow in the forenoon."

"It shall be done," said the old man, and he elbowed his way through our ranks as though in haste to cross over.

We led our escorts—for we took it for granted that we were under observation—a dilatory stroll, and arrived back at the Pera palace in time for dinner, which, as usual, we had served in the Kings' sitting room. It was a leisurely meal, for we had time to kill. There was an early moon and we wanted it to set before the Curlew left the Man-o-war landing, where it was moored.

If spies were still watching the hotel, as I have no doubt they were, we gave them the slip. We went downstairs together, and shot into the closed car which was waiting. Watkins sitting beside the chauffeur. Ten minutes later we drew up on the Curlew's docks, secure from observation because of the British marine sentries who stood guard at the dock-gates.

The Curlew was a handy craft, decked over forward, with a roomy cockpit and a good, heavy-duty Mercedes engine. She was nothing to look at, but reliable and efficient. Betty, who was an experienced yachtswoman, automatically assumed command, and Hugh and Watkins as automatically accepted the role of crew. Vernon King Nikka and I tried to be as inconspicuous as possible.

We chugged slowly through the glut of shipping in the Golden Horn, edging away from the Galata shore toward the picturesque bulk of Stamboul. Seraglio point loomed ahead of us, high, rugged, tree-covered, dotted with infrequent lights. We rounded it, the lighthouse twinkling on our starboard beam, and turned southwest in to the Bosphorus, with the wide sweep of the Marmara just ahead. The steamer from Rodosto and other Marmara ports steamed past us with a swash and gurgle. A belated fishing-boat flapped by. Then we had the waters to ourselves.

"Have you the night-glasses, Hugh?" questioned Betty. "See if you can make out the St. Sophia minarets." And to us: "That's our first landfall in making Tokalji's house."

Hugh leaned forward across the cabin roof, resting on his elbows, eyes glued to the glasses.

"Right O," he called back. "I'm on them—and I can see that big old tower of the sea walls that lies this side of the jetty."

Betty cut off the engine.

"Fetch the sweeps, Watkins," she

whispered. "We'll pull in. Quiet, everybody."

Hugh and Watkins unlashed two heavy oars from the cabin roof and thrust them outboard through oarlocks riveted to the cockpit railing. Side by side, in unison, they pulled with a long, deliberate stroke, while Betty steered. It was no easy task to move that launch across the swift-flowing tide of the Bosphorus, and it seemed an endless time before the blurred mass of the shoreline, becoming visible to our unaided sight, furnished an index to the progress we were making.

Nikka and I, with the help of the glasses, plotted for the others the arrangement of Tokalji's establishment.

"The old all between the two wings—between the bachelors' quarters and warehouse and the House of the Married—ought to be easy to climb," I concluded.

"The wall of the House of the Married is very irregular, too," added Betty. "We have passed it close in a number of times by daylight, and we all agreed an active man could climb it."

"That's a good idea," approved Nikka. "If you could enter by the House of the Married you could seize the valuable part of the position first. Sound military strategy."

"Yes," assented Hugh, "you could consolidate your position—how the old lingo come back, though!—and occupy the rest of the place as convenient. By jove, if you didn't want to occupy it, you could—"

"Oh, you'd have to occupy it," I interrupted. "I say, do you know that place looks desert?—"

"There's somebody there, never fear," rejoined Betty.

"According to Nikka's uncle, a good part of the garrison were withdrawn today," returned Hugh.

"There is no use in hurrying," cautioned my uncle. "We shall have plenty of opportunities."

"There's a time like the present," I said softly.

"Yes, they won't be looking for us so soon again," agreed Nikka. "They will be figuring that we had enough of a fright last night. What could be more unexpected than a raid from us tonight? They probably think that we will go slow after last night, and they don't even know we are out here."

"I wouldn't be too sure of that," rejoined Betty.

"Besides," I said, "their force is so depleted that we couldn't have a better opportunity."

"They may be reinforced."

"Nonsense," said Hugh. "Wait, bring out those tools. We shall want the rope for climbing and a couple of crowbars. If we need anything else we can send back for it. Betty, you must stay in the boat; you can't climb that wall—and somebody has got to be ready to start the engine and get us away in a hurry."

"I suppose you are right," she sighed. "Well, don't blame me if anything goes wrong. Of all the hare-brained—"

"Rats!" I scoffed. "If they jump us, and there are too many of them, we'll retreat. But maybe we can clean up this job tonight for good and all. If we can, it's worth trying."

Watkins emerged from the cabin with the tools, Nikka insisted that he was the best climber of the party, and took charge of the rope. Hugh and I carried the crowbars, which we wrapped in sailcloth to prevent their clinking against the stones of the wall. Then we stepped on—the slippery rocks of the jetty, Nikka in the lead.

It was a perilous climb to the shore, and we negotiated it slowly, helping one another and taking every precaution to avoid making any noise. At last we found ourselves in the jumble of bowlders constituting the breakwater at the foot of the sea wall, which reared its moss-grown battlements high overhead. We turned to the left here, and crawled over and through the rocks on the beach to a point under the overhanging wall of the House of the Married. From the beach it looked unclimbable, but Nikka, after surveying its mounting courses, removed his shoes and started the ascent, an end of the grapple rope looped around his waist.

We who watched him stood with knocking hearts for what seemed an eternity. Spread-eagled against the wall, he appeared as infinitesimal as a fly in the darkness. Our first knowledge that he had succeeded came when he jerked up the grapple lying on the beach at our feet. He hoisted it slowly, test it clash against the wall, adjusted its prongs and tossed down the knotted length of rope.

Hugh followed him with ease, bracing his feet against the wall when he was tired. Then I went up. Then my uncle. Watkins came last. It was now well toward midnight, and a haze was settling over the city. The Curlew was invisible even to us who knew precisely her location. The silence was absolute. The water lapped on the beach below. That was all.

Naturally, and by light, Hugh took command. It was his expedition.

"Do we go down through the trap door Jack and Nikka used or do we use the rope to drop directly into the garden?" he asked.

"Best use the trap door," advised Nikka.

"Yes," I agreed. "Then the rope will always be handy in case you want to escape."

"Right O," endorsed Hugh cheerfully. "Jack, you and Nikka will come with me. Professor King and Watty will be rear guard and second-line for emergency use. Stay where you are, professor, until you hear from us."

We crossed the roof toward Sokak Masyerl, the large courtyard on our right, the Garden of the Cedars on our

left. "Let Toutou take his knife to them. That will do the trick."

Tokalji evidently understood the purport of this, for he rasped a quick assent. Toutou flashed a long, stilet-like blade, and stepped toward us.

"I'll carve them," he purred. "They do not look now as they will when I have finished with them. Ha, yes, Toutou's knife knows the way, to truth. Soon they will be asking to die."

But Hilyer jumped in front of him. The Englishman's thin face was aflame with temper.

"I'll stand for a good deal," he said, "but I won't permit torture. You are a fool, Toutou. You'd only kill them the way you did the old lord. Here, you people, we must kill him off. He'll spoil the whole show."

Sandra backed him up, and compelled her brother somewhat sullenly to join in the protest. But Hilmi Bey and Tokalji energetically took the opposing side.

"They have killed three more of my men," howled the gypsy. "Shall they sow death through my tribe, and live unharmed?"

"They shall," declared Helene calmly.

She stepped beside Toutou, and placed her fingers on his wrist. Her eyes sought his. He snarled in his cat-like fashion, and drew away from her. But she fearlessly came closer to him, and slowly, under the compulsion of her fingers, he returned the knife to its sheath.

"There has been enough of this," Helene went on. "Mr. Nash, do you join with your friends in refusing to give up your secret?"

I nodded.

"Very well," she answered, "we will leave you to think it over. If you are wise, you will understand that having blundered into this trap—as you must have blundered sooner or later—the best you can hope for is life in exchange for what we want. I cannot continue to save you from the cruelty of those who relish brutal measures. There is a limit to my patience, too. I advise you to make intelligent use of the next twenty-four hours. You cannot be saved. Your friends cannot reach you. The authorities cannot intervene. If they did, you would disappear. You have twenty-four hours more."

They took all the lanterns, except one, and went out, locking the door after them.

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MISSISSIPPI COUNTY FARM BUREAU NEWS

Another Soybean Convert

S. B. Hunter of Cape Girardeau, prominent land owner in Southeast Missouri and widely known throughout the States as a progressive promoter of sound agricultural practices which he puts into effect on his own land, has gone on record in favor of sowing soybeans in growing wheat.

Mr. Hunter stated, in conversation with County Agent Teal recently, that he was planning to try out a considerable acreage of wheat with a spring planting of beans, using Laredo or Virginia varieties, and that by planting about the 15th of April, he hoped and expected to harvest a seed crop in time to sow the ground back to wheat in the fall.

The use of beans, in his estimation, offers an opportunity for Southeast Missouri farmers to improve their land at slight expense or if the need arises to harvest a second crop of hay or seed off wheat ground during the same season, with very little additional expense and without the heavy cost of breaking, working down, and seeding the land to cowpeas after the wheat crop has been cut and threshed.

When such long-headed far visioned men as S. B. Hunter arrives at the conclusion stated above, it is the opinion of the writer that farmers in general can well afford to consider carefully and with open minds, the possibilities for handling soybeans in like fashion in connection with their own farming operations.

Sees Bright Farm Future

"The present offers greater opportunities in agriculture than we have ever seen", said D. H. Doane, president and founder of the Doane Sulting Service of St. Louis, in an Agricultural Engineering and Con-address at the initiation banquet of Gamma Sigma Delta, honorary society of agriculture, at Columbia last Thursday evening. "I would much prefer to be a factor in agriculture today, despite its temporary depression, than to be at the top of success in the stock market. Agriculture is entering an era of possibilities undreamed of heretofore."

Continuing his address, Mr. Doane spoke of the revolutionary changes that are to take place as the result of new machinery, new processes, new manufactured products utilizing former wastes, new systems of farming, new comforts of farm life. So great is Doane's faith in agriculture that he went so far as to say: "I have never seen any 'poor' land, though I have seen land that was absolutely valueless under existing systems of management. I have seen land classified as 'poor' land and selling at \$10 an acre that later, under skillful management, returned an annual production of \$1000 an acre."

Mr. Doane is a graduate of the Missouri College of Agriculture and was the founder and first chairman of the department of farm management at the College.

The Farmers' and Farm Women's Short Course to be held at the main auditorium at the Teachers' College, Cape Girardeau, Monday to Thursday, February 18 to 21, offers comprehensive instruction in farm and home subjects common to all parts of Southeast Missouri.

There will be both agricultural sections and home economic sections during each morning session, and in the afternoon of each day 45 minute periods will be used for conferences and round table discussions pertaining to topics covered in general lectures at the forenoon meetings.

The Monday program for men included talks on Lime and Fertilizers, Alfalfa and Sweet Clover, and Feeding Dairy Cows. On Tuesday, the morning session will take up Dairy Sires, Soybeans and Disease Control in Dairy Herds. Wednesday, Growing Healthy Chickens, the Poultry, Dairy and Feed Outlook, and 4-H Club work will be discussed. On Thursday morning talks will deal with Feeding of Chickens, Poultry Diseases and the Beef, Hog and Sheep Outlook.

At 9:30 each morning, a 15 minute demonstration will be given by a 4-H Club team from one of the Southeast Missouri Counties. The Mississippi County 4-H Club Health Club demonstration team from Holloway School will demonstrate on Thursday morning, under the supervision of Mrs. Kathryn R. Dow.

The Mississippi County Extension Service will also be represented by County Agent Teal in connection with the Soybean Variety Conference on Tuesday afternoon, February 19, and Poultry House Construction on Thursday afternoon at 1:15 o'clock. Mrs. Dow will also demonstrate vegetable preparations at 11:20 on Monday in the Home Economics section. Representatives of the Southeast

Missouri State Teachers' College have arranged for free luncheons to be served, each day, at noon on the College Farm. Tuesday evening, the Cape Girardeau Chamber of Commerce will be the hosts of the Short Course Faculty and visitors at a banquet to be served in the Hotel Marquette in honor of Dr. Stratton D. Brooks, President of the University of Missouri.

According to County Agent Teal, the Short Course presents to farmers of Mississippi County a splendid opportunity to get the "low-down" on any problem confronting them in connection with their farming operations in 1929. Mississippi County will be well represented at the Short Course meetings, for assurance has already been given the Extension Agent that no less than 20 individuals are planning to attend one or more days of the course.

Soil Test Shows Acid Condition

That it is impossible to determine the lime content or the absence of lime in a soil by looking at it, was demonstrated very effectively recently, according to County Agent Teal, who made tests on samples furnished by Paul Rowling of Texas Bend and J. N. Scott of Watson's Corner. The samples in both cases were of a black soil type ordinarily considered to be well supplied with the lime needed for growing alfalfa and sweet clover.

The sample tested for Scott was a heavy clay type probably known as Sharkey clay or clay loam. The test showed an acid condition which would require approximately 1 ton of limestone per acre to correct the soil condition.

The soil tested for Paul Rowling was a friable loam, dark grey in color, and classed according to the soil survey as a sappy clay loam. The sample showed an acid reaction which would require one and a half to two tons of fine ground limestone to sweeten it sufficiently to grow alfalfa and sweet clover without difficulty.

It is quite possible, thinks the Agent, to get alfalfa or sweet clover started on fields from which the samples were taken, but probably the growth of the crop would be badly stunted during the first season or after one year. In the case of the Rowling soil, it would not be advisable to attempt to grow alfalfa until an application of limestone is made. The acid reaction in these soils will not interfere, however, with the production of excellent crops of corn, cotton, wheat, soybeans, or other crops which require much less lime than do red clover, sweet clover and alfalfa. Since alfalfa and sweet clover absolutely demand a sweet soil for growth, it will invariably be a waste of seed to endeavor to get a stand on acid soils.

Spray and Save

Many peach trees are killed annually in Mississippi County by San Jose scale. Other scale insects are sometimes found on peach, plum and apple trees, but the San Jose scale is the principle injurious insect to be guarded against.

A dormant or winter spray which will effectively control and destroy this scale, is commercial lime sul-

phur in the proportions of one gallon of the stock spray solution to seven or eight gallons of water. The spray mixture should be applied before buds begin to swell. In other words, the period in which the dormant spraying may yet be done will run until about the middle of March or possibly the first of April.

Spray mixture formulas for all kinds of fruit trees, grapes, etc., may be secured at the office of the County Extension Agent in Charleston.

NEW MADRID COUNTY FARM BUREAU NEWS

According to the Monthly Bulletin of the Standard Statistical Service cotton seems to be in a relatively good position for the coming year.

The average carry-over for the past eight years has been five and one-half million bales. The carry-over for 1928 was five million bales. The carry-over estimated for the next year will be four and one-half million bales. The estimated production for the coming year is approximately fourteen million seven hundred thousand bales. Making a total of the cotton supply nineteen million two hundred thousand bales, as compared to approximately twenty million bales in 1928. The average price for middling cotton, it was pointed out, would be in the neighborhood of 21c provided average yields are secured, however, the weather man and the boll weevil can make it possible for even better prices to be secured.

J. C. Weidner on the Oliver farms has flock of Barred Rocks which has until recently been producing 50 per cent. The flock of 100 has been laying approximately an average of 50 eggs a day. This is an exceptionally good average according to County Extension Agent Scott M. Julian. Mr. Weidner attributes the success of this flock to the fact that he started with good baby chicks, early hatched, and has fed and cared for them according to the recommendations of the Missouri College of Agriculture. In order to produce the kind of pullets that make the most money it seems necessary to have early hatched chicks. This means that Plymouth Rocks, Wyandottes, Rhode Island Reds and Orpingtons should be hatched in early March, and Leghorns and Anconas not later than April.

Early hatched chicks are more profitable because: 1—They are less susceptible to worms and disease. 2—Pullets come into production in advance of cold weather when eggs are highest in price. 3—They grow rapidly. 4—Cockerels reach broiler weight in time for the best market.

To follow the practice of raising early hatched, healthy chicks requires the use of a good incubator or the purchase of baby chicks and the use of dependable brooder stoves in

comfortable brooder houses that have been moved previously to fresh ground.

Five eggs should be set or three chicks purchased for each mature pullet placed in the laying house. If a surplus of pullets are raised they can usually be sold for a good price.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MATTHEWS

(Items for last week)

The recent heavy snow has caused us to realize the advisability of short skirts. We never could appreciate them for their full worth until we had to get out in the snow to attend to the out-door work. When our dresses used to reach to our insteps and we were compelled to milk eleven cows and feed, and do all kinds of chores in just such weather as we have had for the past few days, when we came in to warm, our skirt would be wet to our knees. Then we would have to go out again in the cold. They would very often freeze. Now we don't wear our dresses to our knees, but we wear them conveniently short enough that we don't have to be drabbed to our knees. Short skirts are a boon to women (men, too) for they don't have to buy so much material to make a dress.

Mrs. G. D. Englehart was a Sikeston visitor, Tuesday.

Mrs. M. E. Prouty spent the week-end here with friends.

A number of our citizens have been attending the wonderful services at the Christian church in Sikeston.

William Deane, Jr. and E. Elliot attended the show in Sikeston Monday night.

R. E. Burrus of Sikeston motored down to see the game between Parma and Matthews last Friday night. James Huls went to Sikeston Friday to attend the matinee.

Mr. Benford returned Sunday night from a visit with his daughters in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Alsop and Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Zimmer motored to New Madrid Tuesday night to see the game between that city and Matthews.

Herschel Summers has sold out and will go west to make his future home.

Harrisonville—Cass County Telephone Company will erect new building here.

Work on the lower Mississippi program will begin about March 1. Major Gordon R. Young, army engineer, said and is to be carried on at 32 different points. Channel dredging, pile dykes, and revetment work will be undertaken. The government will employ 2000 men beside the ones to be hired by 20 private contractors. Sixty-six miles of river, not now navigable for steamboats, will be made navigable, Major Young said. He estimates the river will be ready for barges by 1931.

SKESTON WANTS IN CARDINAL LEAGUE

Cairo, Ill., February 15.—The St. Louis Cardinals are planning to establish a Class D League in Southern Illinois and Southeast Missouri which would include one club that would be a Cardinal farm. P. C. Bartelme and Frank Rickey, assistants to Branch Rickey, vice president of the St. Louis Cardinals in his minor league relations, made a trip last week visiting several of the towns in Southern Illinois and are trying to work out a league. The Cardinal representatives are looking for a suitable town that can be used as a Cardinal camp and it looks like Cairo is slated for the berth in their selection for a farm station.

Many cities were visited among them, Harrisburg, Benton, Marion, and Cairo, Ill., Paducah, Ky., and Sikeston Mo. Other major league clubs, presumably Detroit and Cleveland, are said to be interested in the plan for a league which will be used to develop young free agents. Sikeston, Mo., is being carefully considered as a member of this proposed circuit and it is very likely that both Cairo and Sikeston will get berths on this new circuit. No definite plans have been made by the Cardinals as yet, but developments are expected soon and formal announcement will be made by the Cardinal Club.

Liberal—Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company purchases building for new home.

An exposed surface on a fruit tree, from injury or removal of a limb, is an invitation for fungi and wood-boring insects to attack it, and should be promptly disinfected and covered with a waterproof coating. If a limb has been cut off, paint the edge of the bark and cambium with shellac while the cut surface is still moist. Apply a disinfectant such as common creosote. The wood should then be protected with a heavy coat of coal tar. Or, instead of applying the two materials separately, put on a mixture of one-third creosote and two-thirds coal tar. On small surfaces, grafting wax gives good results.

Ancient tombs reveal furniture be-wildering costliness, but nothing to rival in value a seat on the New York Stock Exchange.—Washington Star.

Senator Reed says the British could destroy the Panama Canal in five hours. A country always gets more vulnerable when a Navy bill is pending.—Peoria Star.



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Of course the "hitch" in the proposition is that you must buy "units" or stock in the "heir" corporation, in order to "assist the officers" to recover valuable real estate in which, it is slyly hinted, you have a substantial interest as an "heir" at law.

A recent notice of a gathering of "heirs" said "Don't fail to notify all you can to attend". It didn't seem to matter much if the others were "heirs" or not.

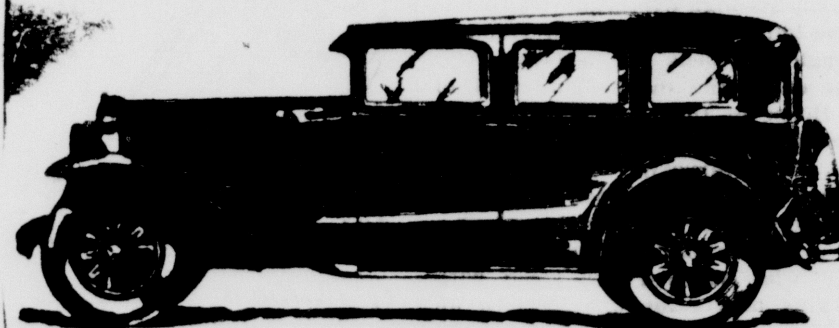
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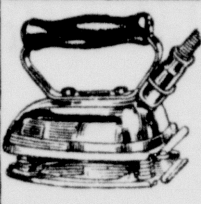
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"Speaking of this to a friend of mine, he told me that Black-Draught was good for this trouble. I went over bought a package. It certainly did help me, so I continued to use it. I am in the transfer business, and sometimes when I would be hungry and ready to eat, I would have a call and would have to eat later. Then I would eat too much or too hurriedly. This would cause indigestion. After I started using Black-Draught, I found it did me a world of good. It is splendid for biliousness and stomach troubles."

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WOMEN who need a tonic should take Cardui. In use over 50 years. E-133

"Dieting", says Compulent Cora, "is what you might call the fat lady's slim chance."—Post-Dispatch.

Thanks to Editor Denman for publicity given the editor. It is well to be in the line light even if it is not intended to be in a complimentary way.

Our Mr. Wallhausen left Friday morning for Columbia and Sweet Springs, Mo., for a few days' visit with friends and home folks. He will be missed on the news end of the paper, but we'll do our best.

The massacre of a bunch of gangsters in Chicago by another bunch of the same sort of animals speaks well for law and order in that hell-hole of a city. However, that is a very good way to dispose of a class that the law seems powerless to handle.

Another instance of paternalistic government. This week a poor farm laborer, wanting a bit of fresh meat for his family, picked up a gun and killed a couple of rabbits on the premises where he lived. An officious game warden haled him before the magistrate, and lacking funds to pay a fine, the poor man went to jail for eighteen days. In the face of such facts it is hard to keep from saying things that might be better left unsaid, but it was just such oppression that turned Russia into a volcano.—Malden Merit.

The very best possible advice we can give a young man going out in the world to work out his own salvation is to seek good company and that can best be found at church and prayer meetings. The pool hall is the last place to find the company that a young man, and a stranger in a city, should seek. Then tell nothing but the truth, pay cash for everything you buy, and it will not be long until your company and your trade is sought. To fall in with the wrong sort of people has ruined many a young man who might have made a good citizen if given the right start.

Ira Jones and Malcolm Monan are in jail at Benton charged with assault and robbery of Ben F. Morrison, manager of one of the Sikeston Kroger Stores. Jones was arrested Thursday, while Monan was taken Friday morning. The assault was committed Saturday night and was evidently committed by somebody familiar with the habits and home of Morrison. Jones has been arrested many times on different charges and has served one term in the Missouri penitentiary. Monan has a long record of petty cussedness, but has, so far, escaped the penitentiary. The assault was brutal and if these boys are proven the guilty parties they should be given a long term. No date has been set for a preliminary hearing.

To show you just what a wonderfully good, pious and progressive citizen we have as a competitor, we will say that just as long as he can ride in the saddle, he is all right, but when he has to ride behind, he is willing to disturb things all he can. Just an example: When Tom Mathew was pastor of the Methodist church of Sikeston a few years ago, it became necessary for him to tell Denman that he was the pastor and in charge of the flock in this city. Denman quit the church until John Ensor was appointed to this charge then he returned to the Methodist church. Something must have gone wrong again, as Denman wrote to the Bishop asking him not to return John Ensor to Sikeston. The Bishop sent the letter to John Ensor for an explanation. It was the first intimation to Ensor that he was not filling the bill to the entire satisfaction of his flock. He was so indignant that he started down to give Denman a whipping, but was persuaded by some of the Board that such a course would be unseemly. Anyway, Ensor was returned to Sikeston just the same and the church still stands. Then came Rev. Barnhardt and everything seemed rosy again, until something slipped a cog in the Big Men's Bible Class and the teacher—Denman—was granted a rest for a while. Last fall he seemed to be able to get to ride in the saddle and run in a political speech in the church house to a lot of folks who did not appreciate the time nor the place. Now it seems, the Northern Methodist Brother is right up straddle of the Southern Methodist preacher riding one or the other of them to a fall. And such is Denman when he does not do everything and get everything.

The announcement that income tax returns must be filed by March 1, has few terrors to farmers and editors in this section of the moral vineyard. Both classes would be tickled almost to death if they could be included in that class.

Those who will be in the market may be able to pick up some good bargains for the farm if they will attend the sale at the Kelly place on Big Opening, Thursday, February 21, at 10 o'clock, or the Matthews sale at the edge of Sikeston, Tuesday, February 26 at 10 o'clock. Work mules and farm implements constitute the bulk of the items that will be offered.

Have you laid out your garden spot in your mind yet? We had everything ready for the test to prove what a home garden could produce and just how much the garden would save a family, when the wife refused to do the work. All she was asked to do was one thing, while we intended to furnish the seed, the tools and advice. Some people are hard to please it looks like.

The editor gives up. He never expects to be a well-dressed man if the National Merchant Tailors' Association gives the proper requirements which include: 14 suits, 8 overcoats, a dozen hats, 2 dozen pair of shoes, 2 tuxedos, additional evening clothes for summer and winter wear, and a scattering of plus fours, riding breeches and other things not mentioned.—Jackson Cash Book.

The fifty-year old woman who laboriously crawled up into a chair, when a little girl, and was cautioned by her mother to "pull down your dress and don't let your panties show", now seems to take an extra hitch on her abbreviated skirt when she crosses her knee, so you'll be sure to see the pretty knitted bloomers and the hosiery "guaranteed silk-clear to the top".—La Plata Home Press.

Thursday night petty thieves took the generator from the car of Rev. F. E. Jones down on Murray Lane. The same night, they attempted to get into the garage of J. N. Sheppard on Dorothy Street, and did get into the garage where Miss Hyacinth Sheppard keeps her Buick, took her flash light, but were unable to get the car as the ignition was locked. Both doors to her car were locked, but the party took the floor out of the bottom of her car and opened the door from the inside. Finger prints and grease marks were left on both doors and the windshield.

During the past few weeks several of our old and most respected citizens have answered to the death call, which brings to mind that each of these citizens were fit to die which should be a great consolation to those left behind. To die and leave behind a name without stain means much. To die and leave a blackened record, is to leave grief in the household that will live forever. None are too good, but all could be better. The toll for the flu and pneumonia is not all in and care and close attention should be given those who are ailing. Take care of your feeble body but also remember your soul.

The committee from the Chamber of Commerce that went to St. Louis to see Mr. Nichols of the Menzie shoe company in regard to securing the building, made their report at the Chamber of Commerce meeting Tuesday night. The report in substance was about as follows: They saw Mr. Nichols and stated to him that the people of this section who had contributed to the building of the shoe factory plant, were not satisfied with the way it was being run and asked him if they would turn him over his \$100,000 personal bond which he had made the committee, would he turn over the building. His reply was "no, indeed he would not, this was one of the factories he would hold on to and if they were looking for a lawsuit to go ahead". A letter from him was also read in which he stated he was preparing to install a sprinkling system in the building. The committee was instructed to take steps at once to see that if the sprinkling system is installed that no more mechanics liens were placed on the building and to take such other steps as they deem necessary to protect the building. It looks as though a lawsuit will be necessary if the committee is to secure the building and if it has to come, lets get busy and get at it. The factory is now running with about 65 employes in it.—Illmo Jimplicute.

What's the use in a Sikeston father paying out money for piano lessons for his daughter when he can buy a radio and hear music that's just about as bad?

County Superintendent of Schools O. F. Anderson is arranging for the annual meeting of school boards, to be held at Benton March 7. All presidents and clerks of boards are required by law to attend.

Readers of The Standard will observe the different make-up on the paper this time. Plenty of short paragraphs were at hand and the ad for the first and last pages in, so why wait to make a run?

Unable to attend Sunday school at her church on a recent Sunday, Mrs. Alice DeReign, of Benton, a teacher in Sunday school for 40 years, had her class come to her home for the session. Mrs. O. L. Spencer is president of the class.

Matthew S. Murray, Director of Public Works, delivered an address Thursday night before the Westport Improvement Association. Mr. Murray discussed the street car situation, zoning changes and the widening of streets. His address made a splendid impression.—Missouri Democrat.

W. F. D. Batjer, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce at Cape Girardeau and a fruit specialist, is of the opinion that the recent low temperatures did not injure fruit buds in Southeast Missouri. He thinks that the buds were not sufficiently advanced to be damaged by freezing.

An aged night janitor journeyed from Quincy, Mass., to Philadelphia a few nights ago, attended a big banquet and was paid much attention at the Penn Athletic Club. Then he went back to his humble job. He was Jake Kilrain, who 42 years ago took a beating at the hands of John L. Sullivan in one of the fiercest ring battles in history—74 rounds with bare knuckles.

Proceeds of a school play at Dexter amounting to \$135 was stolen from a steel locker in the superintendent's room last week. A reward of \$100 has been offered for the arrest and conviction of the thief.

If the pictures in the papers do them justice, we do not see how many of these bathing beauties get their stand-in. Why, here in Dexter are scores of girls who have them skinned a city block for beauty—as far as we can see.—Dexter Statesman.

The Herald editor should be sure to impress on Senator Reed that the letter was written here in Sikeston as the Senator might think such a brainy effusion could not be hatched outside of Farmington. Senator Reed will be mighty glad to receive a copy of a country paper that contains such wonderful literary gems as are carried in The Herald.

Elvin Johnson, a negro claiming Chicago as his home, and claiming to have recently stolen eight cars between Chicago and Durant, Miss., is in jail at Charleston, charged with stealing a car from in front of the Del Rey Hotel, in Sikeston, belonging to Mrs. Patterson, a nurse at the Emergency Hospital. He took two cars from different stands in Sikeston before he found one to his liking.

As soon as the car was missed, it was learned that a negro driving a car that answered the description of the Patterson car, had turned east on Highway 60 and a message to Sheriff Jackson of Mississippi County put him on guard with a high powered rifle to hold the car and negro. The negro soon appeared, but failed to halt at the command, but a shot through the fender of the car brought the negro to a stop. He was brought back to Sikeston, but later turned over to Sheriff Jackson, who took him to Charleston, where court was in session. The negro will be certain of a penitentiary term, but it might have been just as well if the sheriff had put the bullet through the negro instead of the fender.

The Scott County Court has fixed the poll tax for this county at \$4 each for men from 21 to 60 years old.

Wonder if Mr. Hoover acted surprised when he officially learned, last week, that he had been elected President. Al Smith heard last fall that he had not been elected.

The body of Lloyd Mathenia was found in the Mississippi River at Caruthersville Tuesday morning. He was employed by Walter Kurtz, as a caretaker of one of his gasoline boats and Friday afternoon he disappeared. It was thought he was drowned, having fallen from the boat.

A man does not necessarily need to be mathematically minded to enjoy good figures.

And speaking of figures, brings up the question "is anything" since Einstein "proved" that things that are, aren't.

The mid-Victorian girls were said to be straight-laced and chaste, but the modern women, 'tis said, want mostly to be chased.

Efforts of the Chicago police to stamp out lawlessness affords some interesting contrasts. Thursday rival gangsters surprised and slaughtered seven gangsters, and, so far, have escaped arrest. Seventy women, young and old, engaged in a bunco game Friday, were not so fortunate. They were caught. Both bunco and murder are violations of the law, but not in the same degree. Many of the women rounded up in the raid were hysterical with fright. Only one woman, who supervised the games, was arrested and she was set free at once by Judge Lupe of the Municipal Court. Bunco is the favorite pastime of women of moderate means, who will spend several dollars and many hours trying to win a 10-cent vase. According to the police, it is a violation of the gambling laws, but they are having a hard time to suppress it.

If it laid in some peoples britches, we don't doubt but what Sikeston would beat along for years with our present postoffice quarters. The quarters are all right in a way, tho' the building needs a carload of paint, a new roof, new floors, new heating plant, new basement and some coal.

The Horse Doctor was summoned to attend a sick mule at Columbus Allsop's Tuesday night of this week. The Doc is a believer in sunshine and scatters it wherever he goes, having even spoken words of good cheer to the mule just before it expired.—Commercial Appeal.

The story is told of a young woman who was inspecting an electrical washing machine with a view to purchasing it. Pointing at a hole in the bottom, she asked what it was for, the salesman told her it was to let the water out, whereupon she exclaimed: "Oh, it doesn't wash by electricity, does it? You have to use water!"

A negro who has carried a bullet in his skull twenty-two years without knowing it, was to be relieved of the missile last Thursday at the city hospital, St. Louis. The negro is William Stewart, 41. The bullet was discovered when an X-ray photograph was taken after he had been treated for lacerations of the scalp suffered in a fall. When told the bullet was in his skull, he recalled that 22 years ago he had had an argument with his wife and she had shot him in the head.

A large blue racer, measuring 32 inches in length, was found coiled up in the snow one morning last week by John Lane and his son, Henry, when they were walking in the field near their home in the Victory community. No tracks made by the reptile could be found anywhere. The snake was so nearly frozen that it did not attempt to get away. Mr. Lane says he believes the snake dreamed that spring had come and had crawled out to investigate, only to find a big snow.—Poplar Bluff Republican.

On account of strained financial conditions of the city treasury, all city officers of Charleston were forced to accept a cut in salary with the exception of John F. Heggie, city clerk, who resigned when his salary was cut from \$50 to \$25 per month. Our own city council can see about the salary paid the city clerks in other cities and may reconsider the guaranteed salary of \$150 per month for the Sikeston clerk. With office room and fees, it would be a snap for some insurance or real estate agent who could do very nicely.

The new hosiery mill that is nearing completion will be one of the largest manufacturing concerns in Southeast Missouri, employing some 300 or 400 people and running night and day. The hosiery machines are each about 30 feet long instead of 15 feet as stated in last week's Jimplicute; each machine contains 45,000 parts which have to be assembled and there are 13 machines. Experts from the factory, assisted by local help are busy putting the machines up. They are located on the north side of the building while the machines for the making of overalls are being installed on the south side of the building. One machine we were told cuts out 100 pairs of overalls at a time. It is a busy place now.—Illmo Jimplicute.

Let's see, Congressman Russell secured money to purchase postoffice building sites at Caruthersville, West Plains and Sikeston, way back in 1913. He introduced bills for a building on these sites at every session. Congressman Fulbright did the same. So did Congressman Bailey. The only public building bill to pass Congress since 1913 was during Mr. Bailey's term and bills were introduced by him for buildings at Caruthersville, West Plains and Sikeston. Many cities in the United States had sites bought and paid for and it was to these cities the lump sum appropriation was to be used first. Likewise, but two small cities in each State were to receive buildings out of the first hundred million dollar appropriation. Sikeston was one of the two fortunate small cities to be designated in Missouri. The other city was Trenton. If The Herald editor will watch The Standard closely, he will probably learn just when bids for Sikeston will be asked for. We expect to see Congressman Short busy on designations out of future appropriations for both Caruthersville and West Plains and hope he will get them.

Both the ice man and the coal man are kept fairly busy. We just about as leave be a country editor as either of them.

At last Lindbergh has lost his heart but found a big pocketbook as they say she has plenty of this world's goods and everything that goes to make a happy home.

If the editor of the Great Religious Weekly can just have cut in the slab of the new postoffice building, "Blanton's Postoffice" we'll sure appreciate it, as we haven't the nerve to ask to have it done.

Christian Stein, 103 years old, the oldest man in Cape Girardeau County, died at his home in Jackson last Thursday. Born in Germany, May 21, 1825, Stein came to America when he was 29. He resided at New Orleans a short while and then moved to Cape Girardeau County, where he had since made his home.

The Mort Green's are wintering at the Riviera in Southern France. Mort noticed the women on the farms in that part of France were out cutting wood, gathering limbs and tying in bundles for fuel, minding goats, etc., and in a foolish moment he remarked to Mrs. Green: "I notice the women don't go in for afternoon bridge around here". And there's where he made a mistake for Mrs. Green told the Social Set if it hadn't been for her slaving and saving in their early married days, Mort Green would not be spending the winter in balmy France.

Four stores were broken into at East Prairie Wednesday night and the robbers escaped with an undetermined amount of loot. Bloodhounds of the Hucksby Detective Agency were taken there Thursday to trail the thieves. The stores looted included Walden's meat market, the Falkoff department store, Ramsey's cafe and Hearn's dry goods store. Some money was included in the loot. The burglaries were not discovered until the stores opened for the day's business. Southeast Missouri is getting her share of burglaries and robberies, and it looks like the officers are unable to catch the scoundrels.

Rumor has it that on Wolf Island, which is Kentucky territory, has a number of stills and especially one large one. Between that point and Arkansas there are regular crews of whiskey runners since the river has become full of ice, making it unsafe for smaller craft to navigate. It is now transported by automobile, it is said. Our officers have no jurisdiction and are powerless to act unless they can effect arrest after the runners have landed on this side of the chute. Charges of possession and transportation could then be made. It is believed that a woman and a boy of about 14 years are used as a blind by the runners and thus giving the appearance of not being in this illicit trade. They'd better look a "leedle" out or sheriff Jackson will have them for boarders.—Charleston Courier.

The hardest problem that confronts a country editor is the requests of his friends and readers to omit mention of some event or some person connected with the event. For three weeks straight, such a request has been made at the Democrat office, and no doubt at many other newspaper offices. To accede to such a request means that other readers will sneer at the editor's way of telling the news by suppressing facts. To refuse to listen to the request means disappointment to certain families and resentment towards the publisher. Many newspaper men get real angry when asked to do such a thing, feeling that they are being told how to run their own business. The published of the Democrat, however, sympathizes with the supplicants for they frequently have real troubles to be considered. To omit a name or an event in one instance causes others who did not fare so well to question why favoritism has been shown. To leave out every article or name that would cause disappointment would be to publish nothing but bed time stories and the Sunday School lesson. Readers pay for their paper to read the news of the locality. If they don't get it in one paper, they'll cancel their subscription and take another. On the other hand, when the newspaper publishes certain facts that it has been requested to leave out, those affected by these facts frequently stop their paper and so—what have you?—Shelbina Democrat.

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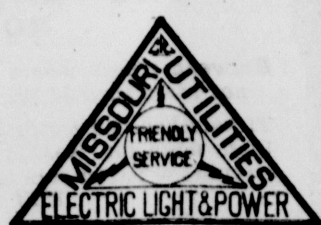


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The following from the Wewoka, Okla., Daily Times, speaks for itself: "On Tuesday evening, the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Wesley Black on West Orange Street, was the scene of a very pretty dinner bridge given in honor of Miss Hilma Black, whose betrothal to Mr. Kellogg Marvin was announced at that time. The tables were lovely with heart shaped rose and white appointments and large nut baskets tied with tulle and rose buds in which were hidden the cards bearing the interesting news. The dinner and bridge appointments also carried out the color scheme. The bride-to-be is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Wesley Black and formerly resided with her parents in Sikeston, Mo. She was educated at Lindwood College, St. Charles, Mo., and at the University of Missouri. She is a member of the Gamma Phi Beta national sorority. Mr. Marvin, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Marvin of New York City is connected with the oil business. He is an alumnus of Williams College, Massachusetts and a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity. No definite date has as yet been set for the wedding. Miss Francoise Black assisted her mother and sister in receiving the guests. The many friends of Miss Hilma in this city wish the bride-to-be all the happiness possible for mortals here below.

The Standard would like to call the attention of those of our citizens who do some trading in other cities, to the handsome lines of ladies and men's wearing apparel shown in display windows. We believe Sikeston merchants carry as large and varied lines of merchandise as can be found in cities much larger. Another thing about trading with home merchants is: You can see and examine articles and the merchants will stand back of their wares.

The Standard stands ready to join any man or any set of men in putting over any proposition that will help our city and our community. We only wish there were enough cows in the trade territory to enable us to have a creamery, a cheese plant or some manufacturing institution that could use whole milk. The time must come when the farmer will have to come to the cow, the sow and the hen for his living. It would not be a great hardship to produce sufficient feed on a farm to carry these three money makers and have plenty of time to look after the stock and poultry. No man can raise enough wheat and corn to put him out of debt, but he can get out of debt, live and make a little money if he adds live stock and poultry to his farm lines. Make a living first and then try to make some money.

The Credit Department of the Dexter Merchants Association is designed to improve credit conditions in Dexter, and to furnish the merchant members with information which, it is thought, should enable them to avoid many losses through bad accounts. The toll of the professional dead-beat has fallen heavily on merchants in the past, and has been direct cause of many mercantile failures. Unwarranted slowness in paying bills has also been a constant source of annoyance and expense, adding enormously to the cost of doing business, and making it impossible for merchants to sell goods on as close a margin as they otherwise could. The proper functioning of this organization will tend to discourage overbuying, and will make it imperative that those who expect accommodations from the business men protect their credit by living up to their obligations.—Dexter Messenger.

This is to let George Kunkle know that those giant bamboo sprouts are shoulder high and still green color notwithstanding the severe cold weather and the snows. We shall report from time to time, and would like for him to report on his behavior and if he has yet married an oil woman with a gusher.

How many merchants could keep their business going if they lived out in the country and had to make the round trip one or more times a day? The same wonder is how can a farmer expect to farm successfully when his family lives in town and live out of the grocery store and fresh meat market.

The Old Dixie Minstrels will be presented at the Miner Community House, Friday evening, February 22 at 7:30, for the benefit of the building fund. This home talent entertainment features an interesting collection of darkey songs, dancing, sermons and a short play depicting a touching scene of the slavery days in Old Dixie. Good music by harp, piano and banjo. The boys in the cast have shown a splendid community spirit and the best way to show your appreciation of their efforts is by being present and bring the neighbors. Admission only 15 cents and 25 cents.

When land is down at the very bottom, when it comes to buying, we would say now is the time to buy land. The farmer has been crushed almost to death, but it cannot be thus always. We fail to see why a farmer cannot make a better living than the poor man in town, but the living is not what the farmer has been trying to do. He has been trying to get rich the past ten years and bored with too big an auger.

A newspaper that sits idly by and sees and believes the city is paying an outlandish salary for a small job, is not doing its duty to our way of thinking. We don't believe any man is worth \$150 a month in a city the size of Sikeston to act as city clerk. This is no reflection or criticism of the clerk for his competency is not questioned. We would like to see this clerk reinstated with Division 10 of the Highway Department in the same position and at the same salary as when he resigned there, because of lack of funds to carry a clerk. They now have funds and need more men, and the city doesn't need such a high salaried man.

Alvin E. Merritt, alleged "red haired fiend", was indicted on nine counts by the Fulton County, Georgia, grand jury. Merritt, 25-year-old father, has been identified by 21 women residents of Atlanta's most exclusive residential section as the man who attempted to attack them. The indictments charge criminal assault, burglary, robbery and statutory offenses.

In a certain town in Southeastern Missouri, a newspaper office received an order for some public sale bills from a prominent farmer. The order was given on June 29 and the work was promised for June 30. June 30 was the last day before the prolonged drought so the printer decided he would take one more shot of pre-war Scotch in honor of the occasion. One glass brought company and soon the "hootch" flowed freely. Then the printer remembered his public sale bill job promised for that day. He hastened to the case and set type with both hands. His legs felt slightly wobbly, but his head was clear as a bell. He set the job, read the proof and printed the bills. The farmer called for his job, paid the bill and started tacking up his bills. To his consternation this is what he found on his bills: Twenty-five cows, broke to work; 41 head of cultivators, 10 head of shoveling boards with scoops by side, 3 piano mares, 120 rods of canvas belting, better than new; DeLaval cow with ice cream attachment; McCormick binder in foal; Poland China bob sled, due to farrow in April; 14 head of chickens with grass seed attachments; 2 J. I. Case heifers in good working order, spraying outfit, can be ridden by children; 15 billy goats, giving milk now; 7-bushel heating stove with spraying nozzle; Edison phonograph, will use hard or soft coal; Ford tank heater and other articles too numerous to mention.—Jackson Cash Book.

A drove of small boys apparently in the eighth and ninth grades at school, were enjoying a crap game in the corner back of the postoffice Sunday afternoon. We are not going to print their names, but will say it is a mighty bad start for boys, as the future of both boys and girls depend on their way of living. No one cares to give employment to a crap shooting boy as they might need money out of the cash drawer to pay their losses. It is up to parents to know where these lads spend their Sunday afternoons and evenings. We are in favor of Sunday picture shows in order to give entertainment to such a class.

Psychics claim to be able to tell a woman's character by the color of the dainty unmentionables she wears. Most of us can't tell much by the color, but we can judge her breeding when she exposes them enough for us to find out what color they are.—Commercial Appeal.

A little West Side girl at Sunday school listened very attentively to the teacher as she told about finding Jesus in the manger. "I'll bet Tom Mix wouldn't have stood for that had he been there", said the girl.

The Benton Dramatic Club has elected officers as follows: John Goodin, president; Mary Lee Harrison, vice-president; Camille Huber, secretary; Winnifred Eldridge, treasurer; Wilson Farris, sergeant at arms.

While on his way from New York to Vienna with a consignment of reptiles, a copperhead snake escaped and bit Professor Shiffman. A wireless message was sent from the ship, the Cunard liner Berengaria, to Professor Dittmar, of Bronx Zoo in New York. Dittmar wireless his advice for treatment of the bite, and saved the victim's life.

Ira White has been elected president of the Dexter Merchant's Association. Other officers are: Vice-President, Russell Siler; Secretary-Treasurer, Bert Pruitt, and governors, L. E. Seibert, Asa Thrower, Charles Michelson and Frank Utley.

In cold weather hides and skins may be kept safely for some time without salting, but care should be taken to prevent them from freezing. In spring, summer and fall, however, skins should be salted promptly.

Dr. George Kowertz, Kansas City physician, was sentenced to 20 years in the Missouri penitentiary following his conviction of robbing a Ballard, Mo., bank of \$900 last November. In Kansas City, Dr. Kowertz had been named by two youths as head of a robber gang. He received a 7-year sentence to the Leavenworth Federal Penitentiary in 1922 for counterfeiting.

There is no authentic information as to the composition of the cross on which Jesus was crucified. Legends on the subject are legion. The alleged fragments of the cross preserved as sacred relics are composed of pine. According to one legend, the true cross was made of four kinds of wood—palm, olive, cedar and cypress—representing the four quarters of the globe. A more poetic legend says the cross was made of aspen, supposed to account for the almost constant quivering of the leaves of that species.

Psychics may be able to tell a woman's personality by the purple spots and yellow stripes of her aura, but the only infallible way to figure out what she really is like, is to steal a look at the color and pattern of her step-ins, and foundation garment. If she chooses pale peach and pastels patterned in circles, she probably is the demure, unsophisticated girl type, according to the Associated Apparel Industries, Inc., which has much to say about style secrets for spring. If she goes in for blue and pistachio in diamond like patterns, she is at heart a gold digger, it is hinted. Deep lavender denotes a sophisticated, but genteel personality, while purple, done in arrows and darts indicates a woman of violent temper. Rose and orchid patterned in triangular figures show fickleness, while black and white panties and foundation garments are the keynotes to the vamp.

EIGHTH DISTRICT MONTHLY REVIEW

The following agricultural outlook for the States of Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi and Arkansas is a regular monthly service of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis.

Cotton—Some cotton still remains in the fields, especially in northern and eastern Arkansas and Missouri, but generally speaking the crop is out. Yields have turned out larger than expected in a number of instances, and in some Arkansas and Mississippi counties the output was close to the high record. Prices during the past thirty days fluctuated within a narrow range, averaging about the same as during the similar period immediately preceding. Demand has been fair, and sufficient to absorb cotton as fast as it came out. With the exception of cotton received in late December and early this month, the crop as a whole has been of relatively high quality. As has been the case for the past two years, there is still no premium to speak of for staple cotton, and as a result many planters have decided to reduce their plantings of staple cotton this year. Considerable farm work has been done, and in some localities more plowing has been accomplished to date than at the same time last year. Stocks in Arkansas warehouses on January 11 amounted to 295,011 bales, against 291,792 bales on the corresponding date last year.

NO CLOSED SEASON ON LIMING SOIL

Limestone can be spread at any season of the year provided the soil is either dry or frozen and the crop on the land does not prohibit getting into the field with a lime spreader. Lime handled in winter, however, must be stored in a dry, well protected place to prevent its becoming damp and then freezing.

According to crop specialists in Missouri, it is permissible to spread lime on winter wheat after it is up, as well as previous to or following the seeding of the crop. Lime can be spread and disced in ahead of oats, corn or soybeans or it can be applied after the corn or soybeans come through the ground. It is generally considered best not to plow limestone under, and if it is plowed, the depth should not be great.

The earlier in the season limestone is applied the sooner it will become effective on the land. Limestone applications are economical and profitable on soils which are acid or "sour" in reaction.

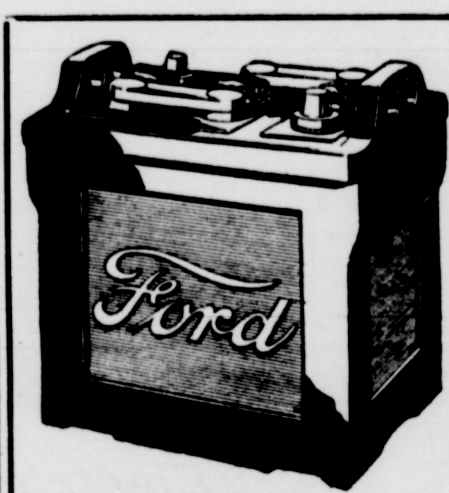
A nurse crop is desirable with the sweet clover crop, not so much to help the clover along, but to keep down the weeds and get an extra crop from the land. A nurse crop is especially useful with sweet clover on weedy land where there is plenty of moisture for two crops. In the dry-farming regions of the West, however, a nurse crop should not be planted, says the U. S. Department of Agriculture, as there it becomes a "robber" crop and takes the moisture from the young clover plants. Wheat or oats makes a good nurse crop, though Canada field peas also are good and in Idaho are considered best for this purpose. Canning peas are used in Illinois and Wisconsin.

HOUSE BILL WOULD PUNISH "FIRE BUG"—YOUNG ENDORSES

Fire insurance rates in Missouri are comparatively high, according to a report prepared by the Civic Department of the Chamber of Commerce of Kansas City. In Sikeston, for example, the basis rate on a one-story brick mercantile building is 52c. If it were located in Ohio, the basis rate would be but 23½c. The greatest single factor entering into Missouri's high fire losses and high premium rates, according to the report, is the setting of fires to collect insurance.

Fully forty per cent of all losses in the State are incendiary, officials of the National Board of Fire Underwriters estimate. For Kansas City, the estimate is fifty per cent. Of 58 fires classified by the Kansas City Fire Department in 1928 as incendiary or questionable explosions, on account of the inadequacy of present statutes, but one man was sent to the penitentiary. The amount of such losses, in excess of \$400,000, is not paid by Kansas City alone, but under the State-wide system of rating in effect, is paid through fire insurance premiums by the people over the entire State.

In order to make possible the punishment of the fire-bug and the racketeer, and to protect the honest policyholder from the burden of helping to pay for "crooked" losses, the



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Kansas City Chamber is asking the support of other business and civic bodies throughout the State on behalf of the Model Arson Law, which is on the statute books of fifteen States and has been thoroughly tested in the courts of these States.

Fire Chief John Young of this city, indicated approval of the proposed law to run to ground incendiaries and fire bugs. He said, however, that losses in Sikeston had been reduced fully 50 per cent within the last year, by the enforcement of fire prevention ordinances, such as ordering flues to be built from the ground up, specifying composition fireproof shingles instead of wood and other measures.

Eggs are a spring tonic far ahead of many sold in the drug store, for egg-yolk is one of the best known iron-rich foods, and also supplies phosphorus and calcium, mineral elements needed for building bones, teeth and other tissues. Eggs are also a rich source of vitamins.

"MERCY BULLETS" CATCH GAME FOR U. S. ZOO

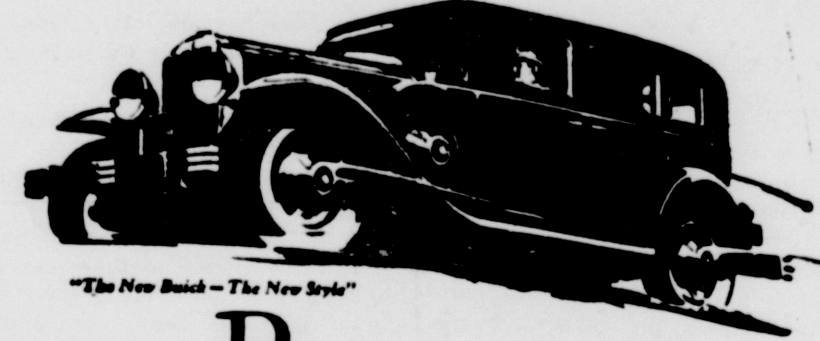
Cape Town, South Africa, February 13.—For the first time in the history of wild game hunting, animals are being captured in South Africa painlessly by the proprietor of an American zoo and Capt. Burnett Harris, the inventor.

The bullet, which is equivalent to a hypodermic needle, penetrates the animals and discharges a drug, allowing the animals to be secured while under the influence, thus fulfilling the commission of the zoo authorities, who have already secured fine specimens which are not affected by what is called "the mercy bullet".

A few grains of popcorn on top of a plate of corn soup give it an attractive appearance.

Short, quick cooking of vegetables in little or no water is recommended in order to conserve their vitamins and minerals.

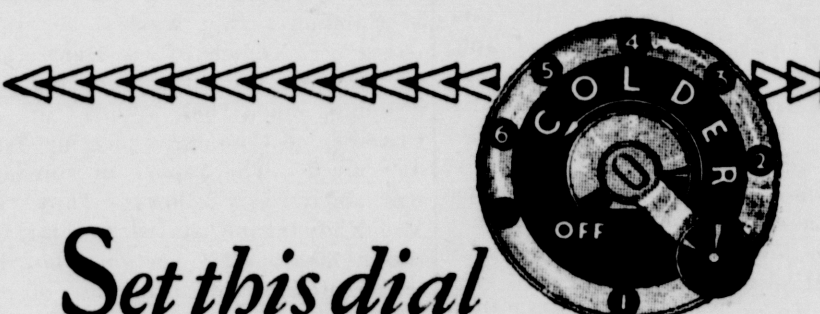
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COMPANY BUYS 2500 ACRES OF TIMBER

East Prairie, February 15.—The Gideon-Anderson Company of Gideon, has purchased 2500 acres of timber in Mississippi County from the Three States Company, and a section from Fisher Brothers, which is estimated will cut 30,000,000 feet.

W. P. Anderson and M. S. Anderson of the Gideon-Anderson Company met here this week with a committee of the Lions Club, who were assisting them in securing a lease on land for a log yard and right-of-way to be used in handling their timber from East Prairie. They have been handling some timber by truck and loading it at Anniston, but this method has failed to supply their mill with enough logs. To increase the supply, the company will lay a railroad track from here into its timber. The concern expects to have its entire logging equipment here in 40 days.

There is about 29,000 acres of timber in the south end of Mississippi County which is owned by the Three States Company.

Relatives and acquaintances of people serving sentences in the penitentiary are warned and cautioned to send them no money. We are told there is an underground way that narcotics can be secured and this is why cash is requested.

Weather outlook for the week beginning Monday: Upper Mississippi and lower Missouri Valleys: Temperatures mostly below normal in north and central portions and near normal in extreme south portions; probably one or two precipitation periods.

Frank Case, star athlete of the local high school, who has been in the Lucy Lee hospital, was able to get downtown to the picture show yesterday afternoon. Case enjoyed the show very much and it was the first show that he had seen for ten weeks.—Poplar Bluff Republican.

One of our town farmers motored to his farm recently and found that one of his colored tenants had pulled up and made wood of fifteen fence posts. Of course he raised a roar, but that didn't bring back the post and set them. This same farmer said one of his negro tenants had burned the slats out of the bed during the big snow.

The Farmington Times says, "The State Highway Department has decided to close the gap in the slab on 61 between Farmington and Fredericktown during the year". One section of right-of-way which a commission had allowed the owner \$3,000 damages, was settled last week for \$850. The few remaining controversies, of less importance, are expected to be settled shortly.

It will soon be sixteen years since the editor came to Skeston a total stranger and three of the first to give us a fraternal greeting were F. M. Sikes, Dr. E. J. Malone and A. B. Dill, all members of the Masonic fraternity, and all of whom have recently passed to the Great Beyond. Of these three aged men, in all our acquaintance, we have never heard a word against their business or moral character. All three were of different dispositions, but none given to gossip to injure one and all three would have gone their limit to assist a worthy brother. We are not all blessed with riches on earth, but all are on the same footing after death.

Reverend Bellanger made a telling point at his meeting Sunday evening when he opposed any spectacular thing or excitement that would cause people to join the church without giving it serious thought. To preach the gospel in such a way that it is telling and convincing is the only way to get one in the church in order that they will work to the glory of God. When one enters the church through excitement when that dies down, the joiner grows lukewarm and is anything but the right sort of a church member. Sometimes we think there must have been a lot of church members who were excited when they joined.

Mrs. Elmer Caldwell of Matthews was operated on Thursday at the Emergency Hospital. Mrs. Jesse King was operated on for appendicitis Friday, and on Saturday, Miss May Twitty, for appendicitis. All three of these patients are doing nicely. Mr. Grigsby, a New Madrid County farmer, is in the hospital for observation. At this time, the hospital rooms are all filled. Some of these days it is going to be necessary to add more rooms or people in this section will have to be taken to other hospitals which will endanger their lives, as many cases that have passed through this hospital would have died if it had been necessary to have taken them to another city.

FUNERAL OF A. B. DILL

The funeral of A. B. Dill was held in the Methodist church Friday afternoon at 1:30. The pall bearers were the five sons and one grandson of Mr. Dill.

The sermon was preached by the pastor, Rev. C. C. Barnhardt, who spoke highly of Mr. Dill as a Christian and a man. Harry Dover very feelingly, rendered the "Old Rugged Cross". The Eastern Star, the Masons and the I. O. O. F. attended the funeral in a body and took charge of the services at the cemetery.

The out-of-town relatives and friends, who attended the funeral were: J. D. Dill and son, John, Jr., I. W. Dill and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Dill and daughters, May or Easterly, Lloyd C. Swartz, Jack McEwen and Dr. J. M. Marberry, all of Carbondale, Ill., Jack Dill and Hildreth Dill of Flint, Mich., L. C. McClellan, wife and children of Caruthersville.

A lady on trial in New York says she cannot remember shooting her husband in November. Not many keep a diary up to November.—Detroit News.

A quick run was made by the fire department shortly after noon Monday to the home of M. A. Arterburn beyond the Frisco depot. A spark from the flu set fire to the shingle room causing a small damage only. The blaze was extinguished by the chemical engine.

Sibert Tanner brought to the Missouri office to show to the editor the head of a real "cotton tail" rabbit bearing two well developed horns, one below each ear, which he killed in a stubblefield a few miles west of Portageville. The horns were black, shaped like a goat's, and were one and one-half inches long.—Portageville Missourian.

Frances Porter, a New York show girl, is now suing C. P. Whitehead of Atlanta, Ga., for \$250,000, on account of something or other. This is the same show girl who took a trip to Havana on Whitehead's yacht, with Whitehead, and he had a hard time getting rid of her. If we were on the jury we would suppose she was well paid at the time to make the trip, and that Whitehead owed her nothing. This bluster must think she is worth a lot.

The lawyers of Southeast Missouri will meet in the banquet hall of the Hotel Marshall Friday evening of this week, where they will discuss matters of interest to their profession. Wm. G. Hale, dean of Washington University Law School of St. Louis, will be one of the speakers of the occasion. Other speakers of note will be on the program which hasn't been completed at this time. R. L. Ward, of Caruthersville, is president of the Southeast Missouri Bar Association.

Scott County will receive \$325,240 of the \$75,000,000 Missouri road issue for the construction of farm-to-market roads. Figuring an average cost of \$4000 per mile this county will be able to construct about 91 miles of new roads. The quota for the other counties in Southeast Missouri are Bollinger County, \$298,168; Butler County, \$412,884; Cape Girardeau County, \$427,596; Dunklin, \$438,846; Mississippi County, \$231,950; New Madrid County, \$408,508; Perry County, \$256,880; Pemiscot County, \$364,000; Stoddard County, \$495,708. No roads will be built until 1930.

The old Malcolm residence, corner of Center Street and Ranney Avenue, was raided a few days ago and G. A. Wright was arrested, charged with keeping a bawdy house. At the same time, Lena Walker and Frank Kelley were arrested charged with adultery, pled guilty and paid their fines, \$25 and costs. Nellie Helton and Otis Morris were arrested at the same time at the same place, on the same charge, but demanded a hearing which is set for Thursday of this week. Morris and a young man named Stacey were held on a liquor charge. Wright will be given a hearing Thursday on the charge stated above.

A jury of Kentucky men on Friday imposed the heaviest penalty allowed by law on a pretty 23-year-old woman, who was accused of helping her husband to rob a bank. The woman, Grace Browder, of Owensboro, smiled faintly as the verdict fixing her punishment at 23 years imprisonment was read. Three days ago another jury had failed to reach a verdict in the case of her husband, Carl Browder, because one of the veniremen thought three years would be enough, while the other eleven favored a heavier penalty. The couple were accused of robbing the bank at West Louisville, a village near there, January 9. Two men were shot by the robbers as they left the bank.

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RESOLUTIONS

"Come unto me, a soft voice whispered
And I will give you peace.
And lo, his voice was still.
But in our memory shall ever live,
His faith, his zeal, his fine ideal,
Founded upon the Star of the East"

Whereas, Our Heavenly Father has called from Skeston Chapter No. 137, Order of the Eastern Star, our Brother, A. B. Dill, February 13, 1929.

Therefore, Be It Resolved, First—That this Chapter which has received his encouragement and untiring support during an unbroken period of time, feels keenly the loss of so faithful and valuable a member.

Secondly—That we extend to the family and relatives our deepest sympathy, assuring them that their grief is ours.

Thirdly—That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of our Chapter, a copy sent to the family and to our local papers for publication.

EARL HOLLINGSWORTH
LUCY HUMPHREYS
EUNICE FORRESTER
Committee.

In regard to the news that three-fourths of the explosives produced in the country are used in mining, some asks if Chicago is in the copper or bituminous coal belt.—Detroit News.

Lack of sanitation is the cause of many poor incubator hatches and high chick mortality. The incubator should be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected to destroy all disease germs before eggs are put in it. Remove all down and dirt from the machine, and disinfect the interior, as well as the egg trays and nursery drawers, with some efficient disinfectant such as a saponified cresol solution.

LEGIONNAIRES TO MEET WEDNESDAY

The Legionnaires expect a large attendance at the regular meeting Wednesday night at the Chamber of Commerce rooms, as two important items of business will be taken up.

One is the setting of definite dates on which the community will be scoured for members for Henry Mel-drum Post. Loomis Mayfield, chairman of the membership committee, has stated that he has his plans ready to present and that his committee is rarin' to go.

The local Post has fallen woefully this year in its membership, being little more than half that of the Dexter Post.

The March issue of the American Legion Monthly Magazine will be out in a few days and the issue will contain a little story of Legion Square in Skeston. This will be the first publicity that the local Legionnaires have received in the national magazine, and it is thought that copies will be at a premium.

The Post has been again invited to attend in a body the annual armory inspection of Co. K, 140th Infantry, on Tuesday, February 26th. The Legionnaires made a hit last year when forty of them attended in a group.

The Post has signed a contract with a concern to put on a sale of fancy automobile robes in Skeston, commencing this week. Full details will be given out at the meeting on Wednesday and all members will have a chance to add to the finances of the Post, as well as to the personal comfort of the public.

This contest will run for five or six weeks, closing with a dance on April first. Watch for further announcement and for the large colorful display of robes and blankets in a downtown display room.

Middletown Christian Scientists dedicated new church.

RESOLUTIONS

"One by one the links are severed,
From the golden chain of love;
But some day we'll find them welded
In a golden chain above".

Again we pause to pay tribute to one whom the Angel of Death bade follow him into the realms above. Bros. F. M. Sikes has followed the Star over the hill top beyond our vision into the Valley of Peace. Whereas, Skeston Chapter 137 has lost a loyal member and the family a devoted husband and father and, to these, we extend tender and loving sympathy, and assure them that behind the Great Unknown standeth God, within the shadows, keeping watch over His own. Therefore, be it resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, to our local papers and spread upon our records.

MELVIN LIMBAUGH
EMMA KENDALL
NELLIE MOUNT

North Kansas City—New brick building to be built on Armour road for Greason-Nash agency.

The automobile trailer has found a new use in North Carolina, where one is utilized for carrying water, men, and equipment to forest fires. The trailer has a 300-gallon water tank, a large compartment for equipment, emergency food supplies for 20 men, and seating space for 10 men.

As a supplemental pasture, Sudan grass deserves to be more popular than it is and might well be grown in all parts of the United States, except in regions with short or cool summers, in the opinion of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. It is palatable, productive, nutritious, easily grown and does not persist as a weed.

THE WASHINGTON TEA HERE A SUCCESS

The Washington Tea given by the Young Peoples Missionary Society at the Methodist church, was a very delightful affair. The program was well rendered and Mrs. Chris Francis and Mrs. Earl Allen, the young matrons in charge, are very appreciative of the compliments paid to the young folks who took part in the program. A silver offering was taken at the door and a nice sum was realized.

Following is the program rendered:

Piano solo—Dona Kathryn Myers. Vocal solo—"I Faw Down and Go Boom"—Catherine Ann Cook.

A paper on George Washington—Wootson Inez Hollingsworth.

Minuet Dance by the following: Betty Brenton, Helen Vera Dudley, Mary Jane Sikes, Frances Ann Sitze, Melba Ruth Hollingsworth, Nancy Lee Myers, Esther Jane Greer and Catherine Ann Cook.

Vocal solo—Annie Laurie—Melba Hudson.

Reading—Betty Brenton.

Reading—Wootson Inez Hollingsworth.

Grand finale—America—the Society.

The program opened as a missionary meeting with Miss Margaret Mitchell, president, presiding. Evelyn Allard called the program and Margaret Bowman read the minutes.

WITH OUR SICK

Mrs. R. T. Couey, who has been ill for the past ten days, is much improved.

Gale Taylor and Rex Lambert, two of the carrier boys of The Standard are better. Rex is now out.

We are glad to report that little Phil Bowman, who has been critically ill for several weeks, is slowly improving.

Miss Lillian Kendall, who has been sick, is better.

Mrs. T. M. Bloomfield is still confined to her bed. She was some improved, Sunday.

Mrs. Granville McCary, who has been ill for several days, is still confined to her bed.

WASHINGTON TEA

The D. A. R. will hold a Washington Tea at the Hotel Marshall Saturday afternoon, February 23. The public is cordially invited. A silver offering of 25c will be taken at the door. A special program will be given. Come and enjoy a delightful afternoon.

AUXILIARY NOTES

The Auxiliary Unit of the American Legion will have their regular meeting with Mrs. Harry Dudley at her home Wednesday evening. All members are urged to attend.

Roy Woodburn was re-elected president of the Poplar Bluff Chamber of Commerce Friday. Other officers include B. A. Welcher, vice-president and H. S. Bloodworth, secretary.

Silage is very much relished by calves just weaned. They take to it more quickly than to dry feed, and will lose but little weight during the weaning period if they are liberally fed on silage, grain and legume hay.

The Police Court records shows that Paul Chaney pled guilty to reckless driving and was fined \$25 with costs. Elza Boardman was fined a like sum for reckless driving, while Raymond Andrews was fined with costs, \$8, which was set aside owing to previous good record.

The Paris Appeal has the following to say of our sister, Lillie, who lives in that city: "Miss Lillie Blanton, who has been in a cast from neck to waist for nearly three months, is promised relief from present discomforts about March 1. The cast will be loosened sufficiently for her to sit up and make the trip to Kansas City for braces to be fitted. She felt, it will be remembered, and broke her back. Her cheerfulness and patience during her long ordeal has been an inspiration to both family and friends".

More than one hundred major operations were performed at the Emergency Hospital the past year and every one of them were successful and the patients lived. In all the time this hospital has been open, but three deaths have occurred, the first was a lad shot through the head and unconscious when he arrived, the second was an infant with a bad case of pneumonia when it was received, and the third died from severe burns received several weeks ago. This is a remarkable record and speaks volumes for the operating surgeon and his able assistants and nurses. May God continue to guide the skill of those who aid suffering humanity.

ITEMS FROM MINER SWITCH

Will Lewis of East Prairie was a business caller at the Switch, Friday.

Among the sick of our community are: Mrs. Dick Dodge, Ida, Marshall and Ed Dodge, Buddie and Louise Beck, Ruth and Peggie Malcolm, Mrs. Otis Bishop, Geraldine Salyer and Paul Chiles.

Mr. and Mrs. Eubanks spent Sunday with friends at Tanner.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rickey of East Prairie were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Malcolm, Sunday.

Charles Vaughn has returned to Ben O. Matthews, after several days' visit in Skeston with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Jellett, E. C. Davis and Isarel Falkoff of East Prairie were Sunday visitors.

Mrs. C. W. Smoot and Joe Johnson attended the business meeting of the District Board of the Charleston Association at Chaffee Sunday afternoon.

The Valentine social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eubanks, Thursday night, was well attended and everyone reported a jolly good time.

Mrs. Julia Beckle left Friday for Rock Island, Ill., to join her husband, where they will make their future home.

Mr. and Mrs. Loren Hargrave and babies are visiting relatives at Fisk.

Miss Finley, teacher of the Chaney school, was a pleasant caller, Sunday.

Rev. Crocker will fill his regular appointment here Saturday night, Sunday morning and night at the Baptist church. You are invited to attend the services.

Misses Genivieve Eubanks and Reta Vaughn attended the B. Y. P. U. meeting at Chaffee, Sunday afternoon.

Old Dixie Minstrel will be presented at the Community Hall, February 22 by the Holt Brothers. Admission 15c and 25c. A good attendance is desired.

Roy Hedden of Cape Girardeau, formerly of Paris, Mo., visited with the editor Saturday. His father and mother were in Skeston on business connected with the Russell Bros. Implement Company.

M. L. Sutton and son of the Matthews vicinity were Skeston visitors Monday morning and called at The Standard office. He will try farming again this season and hopes for a favorable season and a bountiful crop. He is a mighty fine gentleman and a mighty good farmer.

The fourth roadhouse near Poplar Bluff padlocked under court order since January 1 was closed Friday after Judge Charles L. Ferguson issued a temporary injunction against the "Ash Hill roadhouse", six miles east of that city. The action followed raids by officers, who found liquor and narcotics.

Children in a hurry to get to school and their elders dashing off to work, can seldom take the time to dig out the pulp of an orange with a spoon at breakfast time. So serve them the much needed orange juice in a glass and be assured they have a portion of the day's supply of vitamins and minerals.

The Standard dislikes to displease any young man who might be brought into court for fast driving, wrong parking, etc., by printing same, but when such is a matter of court record, it is not fair to discriminate. We are always sorry for those who are arrested for a misdemeanor or a crime, but can play no favorites.

A packed house greeted the Bellangers at the Christian church Sunday evening and every one present was well repaid. The singing was excellent, especially the duet of the Reverend and Mrs. Bellanger, and the sermon was entertaining throughout. The revival services will continue throughout the week with baptizing Friday evening and Sunday. The Reverend has been about quite a good deal and intersperses his Bible talk with affairs of history and of the day. You will be glad if you attend.

I Becker received word Friday that his father, 90 years of age, had passed away at his home near Vilna, Poland. Mr. Becker said when Mr. Sikes died there was a feeling in his heart that all was not well with his aged father back in the old country. The same feeling, or mental telepathy, came to him with the passing of Dr. Malone, followed closely the news of the passing of his own father. We sympathize with Mr. Becker in his loss, for he was closely attached to his parents and during the World War frequently sent money by cable to alleviate their wants.

SKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

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After reading about rabbits with
horns an inch and a half, will never
eat another piece of that sort of meat
if we know it.

There are lots of love matches be-
tween old men who are rich and
young girls who are poor. But there
are none between old men who are
poor and young girls who are rich.—
Milan Standard.

We believe we would rather take
our chances in a poker game than to
dabble in the stock markets as
some small fry are doing. At least
you can see how you lost your chips
and the party who got them.

Flower beds add greatly to the ap-
pearance of parks and yards and
The Standard hopes to see our city
parks all blooming throughout the
season, and followed closely by well
kept yards around the homes.

Dorothy Wilburn, 17 years of age
of Poplar Bluff, is reported lost
strayed or stolen. Miss Fay Farmer
about the same age, disappeared the
same Wednesday afternoon. Guess
the girls wanted to see the bright
lights.

"Nig" Schneider, for so many
years connected with the tire busi-
ness and oil stations in Skeston, is
now located in the auto manufactur-
ing center of Michigan where we
hope he is growing rich. No one has
ever seen Schneider when he was
not smiling and that sort of a smile
ought to be worth a million.

The implement day held at the
Russell Bros. sheds in this city the
past week, brought leading farmers
from all over this section. Many
sales were made and all were inter-
ested in the latest improved machin-
ery that was demonstrated on that
day. The Saturday following, four
tractors were sold for farm work.
The coming Saturday will be another
demonstration day and a splendid
program is being arranged for those
who attend.

Just as soon as the road program
was settled at Jefferson City, the sun
broke out through the clouds that
showed Old Sol was smiling at the
Hill Billies from the Ozarks, who
were after a pork barrel program.
We are glad things were settled in
the end by such an overwhelming
majority and we hope to see the road
program under way at the earliest
possible moment. It is never possible
to please every man or set of men,
but we have confidence in the State
Highway officials and all assistants,
and in due course of time, all disaf-
fected sections will be pulling as one.

In some sections of the country
dairy cows are affected by a lack of
iodine in the feed. This results in
goiter or big neck in calves, usually
at birth. If this trouble is experi-
enced in a herd, iodine should be fed
to the pregnant cows. The feeding of
iodine should be begun as soon as
there is reasonable certainty that the
cow is pregnant and should be con-
tinued until she calves. Iodine is
best in the form of potassium or sod-
ium iodide, dissolved in water and
sprinkled over the feed. Only a very
small amount is needed. Get a 5 per
cent solution of the iodine from your
druggist and put one tablespoonful
of the solution on the feed of each
cow once a week.

Fattening "baby beeves", or year-
lings, for market tests the feeder's
skill, on account of the tendency of
the calves to grow rather than to
fatten. Unless the cows in the herd
are exceptional milkers, calves in-
tended for fat yearlings should be
started on a grain mixture such as
corn and oats when from 4 to 6
weeks old. Feed them liberally on
grain at least one month before
weaning, and make every effort to
get the calves through the weaning
period without loss of their milk
fat. Increase the grain ration so as
to have as little change as possible
in the rate of growth and fattening.
Creeps may be used so that the
calves can get their grain without
disturbance from the cows. Calves
from heavy-milking cows should be
weaned quite gradually, but calves
of cows giving little milk should be
weaned abruptly.

BLACK LILY

Her path was strewn with prim-
rose
So beautiful and fair was she
Like a lily in acres of thistles
Was my golden haired Rose Marie.

She was a child and I was a child
Playmates together were we
A jolly and blithe companion
Was my curly haired Rose Marie.

She was an angel of talent
So beautiful and charming was she
That everyone envied my darling
My blue-eyed Rose Marie.

We were traveling life's long jour-
ney
My coveted friend and me
A cold but righteous path we chose
I and my Rose Marie.

We came to a lane that was warm
er
And nearer to hell you see,
She plucked the weed, the prim
rose.

Then I parted from Rose Marie.
But my love, my soul, is still with
her
And ever shall it be
Yet my companionship is severed
From the sin-stained Rose Marie.
Helen Jennings, Morley, Mo.

A Southeast Missouri Colonel was
asked how it felt to be a colonel on
the Governor's staff and all dilled up
at the Governor's ball. He stated
that he felt a trifle embarrassed when
he first entered the bright lights, but
became more cheerful as the cheer
was met, until just before the clos-
ing hour he felt as good as Old
Grant—but next morning, he felt
like hell.

It has been many years since such
a heavy snow fall has visited South-
east Missouri. In years past with
plenty of snow and cold weather
farmers raised bountiful crops and
it may be that snow is a fertilizer
and that the freezing and thawing of
the ground helps absorb the fertiliz-
er that helps the seed put in the
ground. Anyway, every farmer will
put in all the acreage he can attend
and hope for the best.

Chickens of any variety, feathered
or dressed, thrive better on good
wholesome food. Manufacturers of
feeds for the feathered varieties pre-
pare their products on a scientific
basis and allow for every substance
that go to make health, bone, muscle,
feathers and eggs. There is no mix-
ture of mayonnaise anywhere given
for this sort of chicken. The other
variety like anything that is called a
salad and some even call for cham-
pagne and Russian caviar.

There are several advantages in
having cows freshen in the fall.
Butterfat usually brings a higher
price during the fall and winter
months. Labor is easier to obtain
then, and there is more time to care
for the calves and a large supply of
milk. The fall-freshening cow, if
properly fed and handled, will, as a
rule, produce well during the winter
months, falling off as spring opens.
At this time the spring pasture grass
will act as a stimulus and cause in-
creased production during the spring
and early summer. The period of low
production will come during July
and August, when conditions at best
are unfavorable for high production.
It is undesirable to have cows fresh-
en during the hot summer months,
because of hot weather, flies and
dried-up pastures. Fall-dropped calves
are easier to raise and usually
less subject to disease. Dairymen
who sell milk to a city retail trade
should have their cows freshen at all
seasons, of the year in order to keep
up a steady, constant flow of milk.

THIS WEEK IN MO. HISTORY

Floyd C. Shoemaker

On February 22, 1821, one hundred
and eight years ago this week, the
initial steps were taken toward es-
tablishment of the first Masonic
Grand Lodge in Missouri. On that
date delegates from three Missouri
lodges met in convention in St. Louis
and drafted resolutions regarding
the organization of the Grand Lodge
of Missouri and appointed a commit-
tee to draft its Constitution. Alho'
the Lodge was not formally organiz-
ed, nor its officers elected until April,
1821, the date of the February Con-
vention is significant as marking the
earliest effort at unification of Ma-
sonic bodies in Missouri and the in-
ception of the movement for the first
Masonic Grand Lodge organized west
of the Mississippi River.

It has been said that "Freemason-
ry follows the flag", and this would
seem to be especially true of the
Fraternity in the Mississippi Valley.
At the time of the transfer of upper
Louisiana to the United States in
1804, there were scarcely a dozen
Freemasons in all the vast region.
By 1808, however, there were two
lodges in what is now Missouri, and
but little more than a decade later
witnessed the organization of the
Missouri Grand Lodge. The roll of

members of the Craft in early Mis-
souri bears the names of many men
illustrious in the history of both ter-
ritory and State—among them those
of William Clark, Meriwether Lewis,
Edward and Frederick Bates, Thos.
H. Benton, John Scott, Lewis F. Linn,
Rufus Easton, Silas Bent, Henry S.
Geyer, Joseph Charles, and others
who left their impress upon national
and State annals.

At the time the Grand Lodge of
Missouri was formed there were but
four lodges in Missouri (of the seven
which had been chartered since
1804) from which a Grand Lodge
could be organized: Missouri Lodge
No. 12 at St. Louis; Joachim Lodge
No. 25 at Herculaneum; St. Charles
Lodge No. 28 at St. Charles, and
Unity Lodge, U. D. at Jackson. The
first three were chartered by the
Grand Lodge of Tennessee; the
fourth was under dispensation from
the Grand Lodge of Indiana. The
membership of the four totaled less
than 100 men.

The only delegates known to have
attended the February Convention
were Edward Bates and William Ren-
shaw of the St. Louis lodge, William
Bates of the Herculaneum lodge, and
Nathaniel Simonds of the St. Charles
organization. "Accounts are ex-
tremely rare", says Mr. Denslow in
his History of Territorial Masonry
"...of Grand Lodges organized with
as few as three legitimate chartered
lodges—but then, these were Missour-
ians! Had not Louisiana organized
a Grand Lodge in 1812, Indiana in
1818, Kentucky in 1800 and Tennes-
see in 1813. Why not Missouri
which had this year entered the sis-
terhood of States?" Leading men in
the St. Louis lodge had felt for some
years the need of a central author-
ity for the organization and standard-
ization of the work and ritual of the
lodges of Missouri. Because of in-
adequate communications and the
hardships of travel at the early per-
iod, the Missouri organizations found
it difficult—often impossible—to send
representatives to Annual Communi-
cations in Tennessee and Indiana.
The time seemed ripe for the estab-
lishment of a Grand Lodge in the
State.

When the February Convention
met in St. Louis, Edward Bates,
Master of the St. Louis lodge, and a
guiding spirit not only in Missouri
Freemasonry, but in the legal and
political life of the State, was chosen
chairman, and William Renshaw
was made secretary. Following the
election of officers, resolutions were
drawn appointing Edward Bates, Na-
thaniel Simonds and William Bates, a
committee to draft a Constitution for
the proposed Grand Lodge, and pro-
viding for its distribution among the
subordinate lodges of the State. Sec-
tion 4 of the resolutions stipulated
that if a majority of the lodges rat-
ified the Constitution a meeting was
to be held on April 23, 1821, to or-
ganize the Missouri Grand Lodge.

The Constitution was duly ratified
by the Masonic Organizations of the
State and at the meeting held in St.
Louis in April, 1821, the Grand
Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted
Masons of Missouri was organized on
April 24.

In its more than century of exist-
ence in the State the Fraternity has
made a phenomenal growth. Be-
cause of the important part the Mis-
souri Grand Lodge played in the de-
velopment of Freemasonry in many
of the western and southwestern
States it has frequently been called
the Masonic colonizer of the West.

WASHINGTON LETTER

By W. L. Nelson, Rep. 8th Con. Dis.

Hoover and Curtis have been elect-
ed. The House and Senate met in
joint session, as the Constitution
provides, and officially announced the
vote of each State. The occasion,
with the Vice-President presiding,
was supposed to be a very formal
one, but the members were in merry
mood and notwithstanding the ad-
monitions of the chairman, who
smiled as he made a pretense at re-
primanding, there was considerable
chattering. Good-natured jests were
indulged in, but there was no ill
feeling. One Democrat proclaimed
in a rather loud voice, "Judging by
the first returns, it don't look very
good for Al and Joe". Later, the
totals of 444 for Hoover and 87 for
Smith were announced.

President Coolidge has signed the
Cruiser Bill, calling for an initial
expenditure of \$247,000,000 to build
15 cruisers and one aeroplane carrier,
work on all to commence at an early
date.

Secretary of Agriculture Jardine
has announced that he will retire
from the Cabinet on March 4. Co-
incident with this statement there
was made public an outline of what
was said to constitute Hoover's farm
relief plan. The five points, as pub-
lished, include enactment of the re-
vised McNary Bill, which does not
carry the equalization fee principal
but would create a "stabilization
board" and make available a fund of
from \$300,000,000 to \$500,000,000. Fi-
nancial aid in the way of loans would
be made to existing co-operative
marketing associations, with machin-
ery and financial assistance to aid in
federating co-operative associations.
An upper revision of the tariff on
farm commodities, and an early
opening of additional waterways
are other items.

There is much speculation as to
the next Secretary of Agriculture. A
J. Glover, of Heard's Dairyman, Wis-
consin, Louis J. Tabor of the Grange
Thomas Campbell of Montana, one
of the biggest wheat growers in the
country, Dante M. Pierce, of the
Iowa Homestead, and some 20 others
are mentioned. Secretary Jardine
will take a position with the national
Federated Fruit and Vegetable
Growers' Association. Farmers will
hope for something better under the
new secretary, whoever he may be.

The United States has a new Com-
missioner of Education, Dr. William
John Cooper, of California.

In the last Congress, the House
passed a bill under which every Gold
Star mother, or widow, whose hus-
band or son lies in one of the over-
seas military cemeteries, would be
provided transportation in order that
she might visit the grave. It is now
being urged that the Senate take ac-
tion on this measure.

The so-called Madden bill, provid-
ing for lease of the Muscle Shoals
project, is being actively fought by
commercial fertilizer interests. In
the last session both houses of Con-
gress passed a bill which would have
put the great plant at Muscle Shoals
to work, but President Coolidge killed
it by a "pocket veto".

The Senate Committee on Banking
has recommended a change in the

Federal Farm Loan Law, which
would give the Federal Board power
to make assessments upon stockhold-
ers in Joint Stock Land Banks, in
receiverships.

A singing tower with musical
bells and bird sanctuary, gift of Ed-
ward W. Bok, a foreign-born Amer-
ican who is big of heart and purse,
has been dedicated in Florida, Pres-
ident Coolidge delivering the address.
Pictures of the President show him
really smiling. Asked the cause, he
is said to have replied: "Mrs. Bok
wanted to know whether it was true
that the University of Edinburgh had
offered me the Chair of Thrift after
March 4". The bells referred to
could not be secured here, but had to
be imported from the Old World. An
effort has been made to get some
man or woman of wealth to make a
gift of musical bells for the Me-

morial Tower, University of Missou-
ri, but the 40 per cent duty on all
such bells, even for religious or pa-
triotic use, stands in the way.

Thirteen vessels, worth according
to Senator McKellar, between \$30,-
000,000 and \$40,000,000 are about to
be disposed of by the United States
Shipping Board, for \$16,000,000, one-
fourth cash and a note for the bal-
ance. Then the Shipping Board is
to agree to loan the purchasers \$56,-
000,000 at a low rate of interest to
construct two more vessels. Those
who, in the last session, sensed such
a scheme held that the law should
continue to require votes of all mem-
bers of the Board in order to author-
ize a sale of ships.

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sizes, colors in every hue and
grades from the sheerest to heavy
weaves all are seen in strikingly
novel and beautifully effective
winter models.

From the very wide field accord-
ing to these patterns, the uses of print-
ed velvet are varied. It creates a
stable dress for the afternoon in
bold colors and striking patterns,
or subtly subdued with tiny floral
geometric patterns in other mod-
els in duller tones. In the evening
it also appears in a variety of
shades from the delicate pastels to
the more vivid tones with designs
of a harmonizing nature. Even
old and silver threads are worked
into these formal velvets with stun-
ning results.

All sorts of colors and color com-
binations are used. From tones
which are more or less of the same
depth, they appear in patterns
which bring a startling contrast.
The smaller patterns such as dots,
cubes and checks being favored for
sports and informal gowns while
the afternoon and evening dresses
favor larger patterns of floral as
well as modernistic patterns.

Boris Dawson wears a most suc-
cessful costume in printed velvet in
First National's "Naughty Baby."
It illustrates the charm of the pliant,
form clinging velvet in a two-
piece afternoon suit in which rose,
blue and orchid tones are blended
in a conventional design. A semi-
circular skirt, and matching jacket
proclaim its chic. Sleeves of orchid
dyed fox and gardenias to match
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How to Raise Poultry

By Dr. L. D. LeGear, V. S., St. Louis, Mo.

Dr. LeGear is a graduate of the Ontario Veterinary College, 1892. Thirteen years of veterinary practice on diseases of live stock and poultry. Eminent authority on poultry and stock raising. Nationally known poultry breeder. Noted author and lecturer.

PULLETS FOR PROFIT WHEN WINTER COMES

Depend on the Youngsters for Heaviest Laying in Fall and Winter Months When Prices Are Highest, Says Dr. L. D. LeGear, V. S., of St. Louis, Mo.

"Youth will be served" so runs the old proverb. Of course, no reference to poultry was intended, but it happens to fit just the same. As a rule, pullets lay more eggs during their first laying season than during any subsequent season. Consequently, if hatches are correctly timed so that plenty of pullets will be brought to maturity some time during the latter part of August or September, a banner winter egg season is bound to follow. Pullets hatched during February or March, according to

breed, should begin laying just about the right time for winter eggs.

Pullets should not be allowed to come into maturity too quickly. Normally, a pullet starts to lay eggs as soon as she has reached maturity and her body has ceased to grow. Sometimes laying starts somewhat before full growth has been reached and further growth may cease. Such pullets may remain undersized and their eggs may be defective and small. If pullets are maturing too rapidly, their mash and animal food should be reduced. The grain rations may also be slightly increased, as pullets should have a good reserve store of body fat before they start laying. Otherwise they will not stand up well under the strain of laying and may fall considerably short of the possible maximum egg production. For that reason, many poultry men make a marked increase in the quantity of grains fed to the pullets as their combs begin to redden. At the same time, they cut down on the mash and animal food; beef scraps or similar material. The grain is fattening, whereas the animal food being no longer required for muscle building as the birds reach maturity, may start egg production before it is desirable.

It is usually considered better not to force pullets into premature laying by feeding large quantities of mash. Instead, limit the mash until pullets are quite ready to lay and, by

feeding a greater amount of grain, to get them fat. Such a ration emphasizes the fat making material and, by withholding the egg-making materials, removes the danger of a too early maturity. Mash should not be entirely eliminated, as it contains materials needed for building up the muscles of young fowls. Too much of it, however, may precipitate egg laying before it is desirable. Give the developing pullets all the grain they will eat during early fall and after they come into normal laying, gradually decrease grain with a corresponding increase in mash feeding.

If pullets have been properly developed along the lines just described above, they should begin laying just as they are put into winter quarters. Their quarters should not be changed once they start laying. Such a change will usually cause a molt and falling off in the egg yield. Furthermore, pullets should never be housed with older hens. The more mature hens annoy the younger ones and that too interferes with their laying. From this point on, the usual rules for feeding and handling laying hens will apply to pullets developed especially for winter egg production.

Of course, I do not mean that older hens are incapable of winter egg production merely because I have emphasized the desirability of developing pullets for that season. With proper culling, breeding and feeding, hens can be made to lay almost as many eggs during the winter months as in warmer weather. The subject of special feeding and handling of fowls for winter egg production is, however, of sufficient importance to constitute a separate article all by itself.

The reason for emphasizing ways of increasing winter egg production is, of course, that prices reach their very highest peak at that time. It is, therefore, desirable not only to produce as many winter eggs as possible, but also to market every possible one of those that are produced then. Practically all of them can be marketed by preserving and keeping for home use the low priced eggs of spring and summer.

It is very easy to preserve eggs for future use by putting them down in water glass, a syrupy liquid that can be obtained from almost any drugist. This water glass should be mixed with nine parts of cold boiled water and the solution kept in crocks or stone jars. Eggs or barrels may also be used if absolutely clean and free from odors provided they are thoroughly scalded. Fill the jar or keg partly full of the water glass solution and put in the eggs from day to day as they are gathered. Be sure there is always at least two inches of solution over the eggs. No dirty or cracked eggs should be used nor any about which there is any doubt as to when they were laid. They must be absolutely fresh, laid the same day they are put in the solution.

The cost of preserving eggs in this way is very small and calls for almost no work at all. Eggs in water glass will keep for six or eight months if stored in a cool, dark place, well covered, and may then be used for all cooking purposes or for the table. The advantages of this plan certainly should be apparent without argument.

I have not attempted to go into any great detail in his article. On the contrary, I have tried only to suggest enough so the reader will want to know more about methods of increasing the winter profits from his flock.

KEEP WARM WATER BEFORE THE HENS

Clean, warm water is the cheapest of all poultry feeds and one of the most important. Because the egg is 65 per cent water, hens cannot lay unless they drink heavily, something they are not likely to do if their drinking water is dirty or coated with ice.

Drinking fountains should be large enough to hold at least a half day's supply of water, say poultrymen, and numerous enough to provide plenty of drinking space for the flock. Fountains should also be sanitary and easy to keep clean. Mounting drinking vessels on stands about 15 inches from the floor helps to keep straw and litter out of the water. Flock owners who have electric lights in the poultry house find that they can fill thermos-type fountains with hot water in the evening so that it will be warm for the hens the following morning when the lights go on.

Kennett—Hamphill Lumber Company reopens mill after shut-down for repairs.

A "fitting" period of several weeks is necessary for the farm work horse if he is to be in good condition for heavy spring work. Changes in kind and quality of feed and in amount of work should be made very gradually. Put the horse on a smaller ration of fine-quality hay early in the spring and start him on a light feed of grain three times daily.

LIONS CLUB HAVE ENJOYABLE AFFAIR

Following the singing of "America", C. E. Brenton gave the invocation. Chairman Lee Bowman turned the evening over to Capt. E. T. Wheatley, as toastmaster.

During the serving of a delicious meal by the Hotel Marshall staff, the following musical program arranged by Mrs. Bess Cook, was rendered: Vocal Solo—"I Want a Daddy To Cuddle Me", Miss Maxine Finley.

Violin Solo—"Liebesfreud", Miss Margaret Woods.

Vocal Solo—"I Faw Down and Go Boom", Catherine Ann Cook.

Vocal Solo—"The Song I Love", Miss Ann Beck.

Harmonica medley, Lynn Swaim.

Selection by the Ann-Vin-Max Trio, Misses Ann Beck, Virginia Mount and Maxine Finley.

The toastmaster then announced that no topics had been previously assigned, and that the remarks would be as much a surprise to the speakers as to the hearers.

Relativity, or why I believe in Skeston, L. M. Stalleup.

Flood relief and the full dinner pail, or why I smile when others frown, Tom Allen.

The reason for the downfall of the Populist Party in 1892, or what have you, R. E. Bailey.

Why it does not pay to sell milk and cream, or what Skeston could do to improve the parks, Charles Hebbeler.

Service in John Bull's Army or why we must all add pep to the organizations to which we belong, "Tip" Keller.

After the collection of several fines for actual and alleged misdemeanors, the real treat of the evening was presented:

Mr. Brady gave a remarkable exhibition of memory.

He had arrived in Skeston on Thursday and had seen none of the guests until they arrived at the hotel. However, he called by name each person present and gave other remarkable memory tests.

Mr. Bailey's remarks were the hit of the evening.

Following this music was furnished for dancing by all.

"SELF IMPOSED TAX CHIEF BURDEN ON LAND"—MOORE

School taxation was given special consideration again at the February 11 night session of the Charleston Kiwanis Club, with Joe Moore as the principal speaker.

The discussion led by Mr. Moore was in a way intended to point out some of the difficulties which might be experienced in passing a school tax bill through the State Legislature to raise \$8,000,000 for use among needy districts. The speaker pointed out the opposition which would invariably be raised by representatives of Kansas City, St. Louis and other populous centers, to a bill which would cause a tax on their constituents. In Moore's estimation, it is doubtful if enough support could be lined up to make such an act effective. At the same time he recognized the serious tax burden, especially in regard to school taxes now being carried by the land owners of Mississippi and adjoining counties. Referring again to the possible sources of tax revenue through levies on corporations and personal incomes, the speaker stated that he was confident such a bill could not be passed unless the State Property Tax were also increased.

In his estimation, it is not the State taxes now levied that are hurting land owners so much as it is the self-imposed improvement taxes such as school, drainage, levee etc.

Using his own records to emphasize this statement, the speaker pointed out the rapid increase in school taxes on certain farm lands with the following as example.

On one piece of farm property in Scott County, the school tax in 1914 was \$52.90. In 1923, the school tax on the same farm was \$457.

In the Walnut Grove District, Moore stated that in 1916 his school tax on one farm was \$6.37, and in 1919 this tax had been increased to \$112.

In the Bridges School District, he pointed out an increase from \$11 in 1919 to \$246 in 1924 on a farm only part of which laid within the boundaries of the district.

In Diehlstadt School District, on 160 acres, he showed that he had paid a school tax of \$19.21 in 1921 and \$141 in 1927.

The conclusion which Mr. Moore drew from the presentation of increases on school taxes alone on certain land under his control, was that after all, the tax burdens in this section has been largely self-imposed as a result of the desire of residents of the country to improve their condition, make their land suitable for farming, and educate their children. He did not think that any

one person would be blamed for the present situation, but he voiced the opinion of many others in stating that under present conditions it is apparent that much farm land is taxed beyond its capacity to pay.

Time did not permit Mr. Moore to go into further details or offer suggestions as to a remedy which might be applied within a reasonable length of time. It was understood that the subject would be discussed again and in greater detail in the near future, at another meeting of the Club.

C. L. Joslyn, Chairman of the Attendance Committee, was unanimously supported in a motion to maintain a high average attendance at Club meetings during 1929 by dividing the membership into three groups with Frank Hequembourg, Frank Lair, Jr. and himself responsible for the groups assigned to each.

Guests attending the meeting included L. T. Berthe and William Steele.

"GOLD NUGGETS" FROM THE SOIL

The soybean crop is the new pot of gold to be found where the rainbow of profit touches the agricultural horizon. This is the conclusion to be reached from studying the past history and present status of this crop, which is rapidly growing in favor with thousands of farmers in the Corn Belt and in the old Cotton Belt.

The soybean plant is one of the most valuable soil builders among the legumes. It is an excellent hay crop and forms a valuable protein supplement for feeding livestock, being utilized extensively in commercial feeds and as a supplement for corn in feeding cattle and hogs. Commercial utilization of the soybean as a valuable source of vegetable oil for paints, enamels, varnishes, linoleum, soap stocks, rubber substitutes, glue, printers' inks, glycerine, as well as various food products waits only upon a sufficient supply of beans to afford a year around supply for oil extracting factories.

In feeding tests at Purdue University, the substitution of whole soybeans for cottonseed meal in the ration for feeding steers increased the profit per steer from \$6.74 with cotton seed meal to \$12.91 when soybeans were used. At Ohio, cooked soybeans proved very valuable as part of the ration for fattening hogs.

Soybeans substituted for oats in the ordinary Corn Belt crop rotation scheme have increased profits materially.

The University of Illinois has recently published in Bulletin No. 310, "Soybean Production in Illinois" which tells in detail how soybeans can be grown and utilized. It may be secured free of charge by writing to the University at Urbana, Ill.

MISSOURI HOUSE PASSES ROAD ACTS FOR \$158,000,000

Jefferson City, February 14.—The road bond enabling acts were passed in quick time by the House today, ending the fight for scientific expenditures of the \$75,000,000 of road bond money and surplus revenues, the two making a total of approximately \$158,000,000.

With only two negative votes, the House passed the bills, which had been passed by the Senate, and now all that remains to make them effective is the signature of Gov. Caulfield.

When the House reached the road bills as a special order of business shortly after 11 o'clock, Chairman Wingo of the Committee on Roads and Highways submitted a favorable report from the Committee on the Senate bills, and to expedite the legislation, moved that they be substituted for the House bills and placed on final passage.

With the exception of Representative Duboise of Texas County and Lawson of Ozark County, all of the group which had supported the substitute, which would have taken \$40,000,000 arbitrarily for the building of local roads, and who were defeated in the House a week ago, supported the bills in the form they came from the Senate.

Both bills carried emergency clauses and these will be in effect as soon as signed by the Governor. The Highway Department, it has been announced, will begin preparations immediately for the expenditure of at least \$20,000,000 of the money this year, practically all going toward the completion of the State highway system as now laid out. Before the actual issuance of the bonds a friendly test suit will be instituted in the Supreme Court to establish without question the validity of the bonds.

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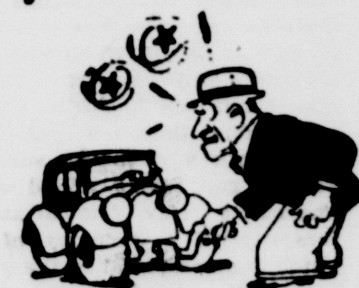
We wish to thank our friends for the words of sympathy, the beautiful floral offering and the inspiring words of Rev. C. C. Barnhardt. Also the choir, the Eastern Star, the Masons and the Odd Fellows, for their assistance in the loss of our husband and father.

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Fornfelt to get hose weaving plant to employ 350 men and women.

Many students come to college just to get atmosphere, says a dean at Columbia. Maybe that's why so many get the air.—Schenectady Union Star.

Nothing makes daughter more indignant than father's not being able to make money enough so mother can dress as she does.—Cincinnati Enquirer.



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Fur coats, however, are distinctly classified. There are few coats that answer an all-around purpose. Both the silhouette and the fur satisfy a demand for suitability. Sports, afternoon and evening coats are distinctly different.

Sports models showed a tendency to follow conservative lines and the straight, slender silhouette was favored for this purpose. Occasional flares subtly introduced below the waistline or from the shoulder, the upper section of the coat being slightly molded, featured afternoon styles. Evening models showed the greatest departure from straight lines. Here all sorts of interesting treatments and exaggerated lines were used to demonstrate the versatility of the mode.

Notes of interest in general were found reflected in the collar treatment. The upstanding, Paquin collar, the shawl effect brought to one hip, the scarf treatment, the Tuxedo collar, revers, the kerchief idea of scarf and the cravat effect are all seen suitably placed. Short jackets are featured in the

fur mode. They accompany all types of dresses and are the favored inspiration of Paris. They are most often shown as parts of ensembles, the lining often matching the accompanying dress.

Sports and coats for general wear are being shown in Pony, Opossum, Caracul and a new fur, European Lamb, a cross between Beaver and Otter.

In more formal coats Summer Ermine, flat Caracul, Krimmer, Nutria, amber Seal, Hudson Seal, Broadtail, Persian Lamb, natural and dyed Squirrel and Mink. Evening modes are introducing Ermine again in its snowy whiteness in all sorts of unusual silhouettes. Cape effects are novel and much favored. Chinchilla and Mink, too, are taking their accustomed places in the very expensive and very beautiful formal wraps.

Doris Dawson has selected her season's collection of fur coats with much care and discrimination. Miss Dawson realizes the necessity of the small person choosing flat furs to give height and slenderness and in general is seen in coats of a straight-line silhouette relying upon smart details for chic. In First National's "Naughty Baby" Miss Dawson wears a lovely wrap of squirrel and one of American broadtail—both simple in line and flat of fur.

"Naughty Baby" WILL BE SHOWN AT THE MALOME THEATRE Wednesday, Feb. 27th

This issue is another one of the unusual, edited by the editor of this paper. Probably not another one like this will ever be put out from this office.

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"Out of consideration for his financial troubles", it has been decided that the ex-kaizer shall be exempted from taxation for several years.

An astronomer says he believes Mars is working in closer to Jupiter and away from the earth. And the Kellogg treaty not a year old!—Council Bluffs Nonpareil.

Paris has a law passed in 1770 which has never been repealed. It reads: "Anyone who entices into marriage a male subject of His Majesty by means of rouge, or scent, or artificial teeth, or false hair, shoes with high heels, crinolines or false hips, will be prosecuted for fraud and the marriage will be declared null and void".

Afternoon Frocks Feature Etons



The Mode for Short Coats Is Stressed in a Late Collection of Street Dresses

ALTHOUGH coats range from waist to full length, the outstanding type sponsored by the younger women is the short jacket in bolero or eton effect, particularly with rather flared, boxed lines. Some of these frocks are in monotonous, others introduce contrast either for the top of the frock or for inset bandings on the collars, cuffs, sleeves and hips. On the other hand bodices in contrasting colors giving the effect of a tuck-in blouse, are equally as popular. The colors in which these costumes are developed add materially to their effectiveness. Soft greens, reds, rose, yellow and quantities of blue predominate.

The jackets are collarless as a general rule and, in some cases, feature a narrow tuxedo effect. Skirts favor an all-around fullness, whether they are pleated or flared, the fullness falling in quite low, in contrast to the fitted hip treatment, which appears in all of these dresses.

An interesting costume in navy blue crepe with a boxed jacket featured a two-tone sleeveless dress, the top of which was of yellow crepe and the skirt of the navy blue shade. A shoulder yoke cut on diagonal lines matches the hip yoke, while a wide blue suede belt with a gold clasp added a very smart note. Navy felt hat and slippers carried a harmony of color which is so essential to the general tone of the daytime ensemble.

A two-piece frock that illustrates the clever blending of color characteristics is worn by Alice White in "Naughty Baby," a First National Picture. It is developed in flat crepe and satin. An all-around pleated skirt is topped by a sleeveless blouse of a gay Roman striped satin. Wrist ties and a kerchief add a jaunty note. Miss White favors this type of frock and has a large selection of varied design and color.

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Wednesday, Feb. 27th

REVIVAL AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH DRAWS BIG CROWDS

Sunday was again a wonderful day at the Christian Church, and at the morning services, Mrs. Burns rendered a solo that was well received. The evening services were marked by an overflow audience, and after a great song service and roll call, the Evangelist delivered a lecture sermon, "The World's Greatest Pageant", and many complimentary remarks are being received from same. This is the last week of this revival, and tonight the sermon subject will be "The Man Born Blind" and Tuesday, "Saul's Conversion" and Wednesday evening, "Excuses" and Thursday evening, "The Origin of the Churches", Friday evening, "Divine Gold From Human Dross". Sunday morning, "The Order and Meaning of the Lord's Table" and that evening, "Jesus Christ and Him Crucified".

Sunday night, the evangelist took his audience through great scenes he experienced all over the world, from China, Europe, England and America. In his closing remarks, he said in part:

"The most marvelous part of all of the preaching of the Word was that even now, 2000 years after the advent of Christ, that His spirit is the all impelling influence that brings men into His Kingdom, and to think that even now, after that the Bible has been kicked at for all these years, that the only influence that makes for good in the world, is the Gospel of Christ, which is leavening the whole world's aspect, and hanging men from savages to reasoning humans. Men who have gone down into the gutter of sin, have arisen to the very zenith of God's glory, woman who have been so down that no one would touch them, have been made whole and active members in society and through their redemption have been an influence to all who met them as they press on to the goal before them. The skeptic and unbeliever cannot see how that men can be renovated, made new, by obedience to the Divine will of God. Men all over the world have come upon the horizon of thought, and for a time startled men out of their lethargy, but it was never of a lasting nature. And these same unbelievers cannot account for the power of the Gospel, but Paul said that he was not ashamed of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, for it was the power of God unto salvation to those who believed. In this day when men seek to put on the bizzarre to attract men from all walks of life, if they will but revert to the truths of God, they will become a magnet that needs other attraction. By the acceptance of that same truth, cowards are made into heroes, weak men are made strong, and doubters become the most possible convincing of men everywhere.

In this meeting we are not trying to attract by the tinfoil of the circus, or the stage, and when men accept Christ under such conditions as we lay down, they will not soon be moved from the paths of truth.

While we look the part of a cattle man, we were at one time a rider of the range, when we first left school, and on the Flying V ranch in South Western, South Dakota, we won our spurs there, by riding outlaws that no man could ride, and the best attest of this is our ever present bow-legs.—Evangelist O. P. Belanger.

Fortunately, sustained flights of oratory can't be prolonged by taking on more gas.—Memphis News-Scimitar.

In the temporary lull on Wall Street the short lambs are growing another crop of wool.—Cincinnati Times-Star.

And one reason why conscience so often has a still small voice is because it's a still small conscience.—Dallas News.

Dr. Einstein's theory seems to suggest that he whistled into his Alphabet Soup.—Philadelphia Evening Public Ledger.

A "seer" says 1929 will be a fortunate year for females, thus making the tenth year of that kind since 1918.—Kingston Whig.

And if the apes could chatter in our lingo they might agree that man did plenty of descending while he was at it.—Dallas News.

King Amanullah of Afghanistan couldn't make his people shave, but he had a rather close one himself.—Schenectady Union-Star.

Play after play has failed in New York this season. People just can't get a thrill out of the same old cuss words.—Nelson (B. C.) News.

The largest piece of ivory in the world has been found in Alaska and is on its way to Washington without being elected.—Sumter (S. C.) Item.

No man works harder against his own interests than the man who works for them exclusively.—Boston Herald.

It would seem that modern cities and modern youth are much alike: they both need more home rule.—Virginia-Pilot.

Local and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Allen spent the week-end in Cairo.

Sergeant Max Jackson and C. L. Blanton, Jr., drove to St. Louis Friday morning to spend the week-end.

Mrs. Vigal, who has been the guest of Mrs. Betty Matthews for a week, returned to her home in St. Louis, Sunday.

Mrs. Ida Van Ausdale of Caruthersville, who visited her niece, Mrs. Earl Johnson, returned to her home, Sunday.

On so-called "clover sick" land where red clover will not grow well, alsike clover can often be grown successfully.

The Co-Workers will meet with Mrs. A. J. Moore at her home Tuesday afternoon. All members are urged to attend.

Mrs. Lilbourn Stepp and little daughter, Louise, of New Madrid, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. W. Myers, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rubenstein and little son, of Perryville, spent Sunday in Skeston, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sarsar.

Miss Pickel of St. Louis arrived in Skeston Sunday and will be with Mrs. Ben Welter at the Elite Hat Shop for the season.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Mocabee and Mrs. Iva Mocabee and sons, all of Morehouse, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Malone.

Miss Ollie Cravens of Jackson, Tenn., and Miss Mayme Cory of St. Louis were over-night guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Bailey.

Mrs. L. D. Marlowe of Lilbourn and Mrs. J. E. McCord and son, Billie of New Madrid, were guests at the R. A. McCord home last week.

Misses Hyacinth Sheppard, Doris Gibert and Evelyn Sutton spent the week-end in Cairo, the guests of Miss Shepard's sister, Mrs. R. A. Moll and family.

Miss Mildred Stubblefield, teacher in the school at Clayton, spent Sunday in Skeston with her mother, Mrs. Jennie Stubblefield, and other friends.

Misses Lois Taylor and Dorothy Lloyd of Lilbourn and Miss Thelma Sheppard of Mankato, Minn., were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. McCord.

Mesdames Betty Matthews, Jane Mills, Cy Harris, Miss DeGuire and Mrs. Vigal drove to Poplar Bluff Saturday and spent the day with Mrs. John Corrigan.

Guests at the R. A. McCord home are: Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Glascock of Veedersburg, Ind., Miss Mayme Cory of St. Louis and Miss Ollie Cravens of Jackson, Tenn.

Mrs. Mary Reed of this city, and Cecil Reed and family of Benton, were called to Evansville, Ind., Friday, on account of the death of Bert Dimmitt, a relative.

Mrs. Albert O. Allen and daughters, Charlotte, Adelaide and Alberta Maude, and Miss Margaret Dawson, of New Madrid, were Skeston visitors Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. John Davis, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. John Davis, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Paul Davis and two sons of Collinsville, Ill., were the week-end guests of Mrs. E. J. Malone, Sr.

Ralph Anderson will leave for Jacksonville, Ill., Wednesday and expects to return the last of the week with his family, who have been on an extended visit there.

We are very glad to report that John Inman of Cape Girardeau, who has been ill in the hospital, is much improved. John had a very serious attack of pneumonia several months ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Lilbourn Stepp and little daughter, Louise, of near New Madrid spent Sunday in Skeston. Mr. Stepp returned to New Madrid Sunday evening, but Mrs. Stepp and daughter remained for a few days' visit.

The noise of the engine, together with the rapidly-changing atmospheric pressure on the delicate structures of the auditory apparatus, dulls the sense of hearing so that many aviators are slightly deaf, according to Lieut. Col. L. M. Hathaway, chief medical officers of the army air corps. If aviators are affected in this way, is it not reasonable to believe that stunt-flying as a cure for deafness has slight merit?

In the manufacture of concrete for use on some floors where strength is not required and lightness is desired, there has been made use of a combination of wood chips and concrete which answers a great many purposes, but the material was more expensive than it need be by reason of the fact that the chips had to be especially prepared for the purpose.

Peanut shells have been experimented with for the purpose and have been found to be quite satisfactory and to cut the cost.

INDUSTRIAL NEWS FROM OVER MISSOURI

Spring City—Seneca highway rapidly nearing completion.

Moberly Kraft Cheese Company opens plant here.

Thompson—Company laying new pipe line system, purchases local property on which to build pumping station.

Mexico announces 1929 paving plans.

Empire District Electric Company making industrial survey of towns in territory that would be supplied by proposed giant Table Rock hydroelectric project.

Medill ships carload poultry to New York.

Harrisonville—Local machine shop installs power feed grinder capable of handling several hundred bushels a day.

St. Charles rice mill reopens.

Kennett gets new drug store.

West Plains—New produce house opened on West Main Street.

Neosho—Local Pet Milk plant shipped 29 cars milk in four days.

Hamilton—First National Bank moves to new quarters, while burned building is repaired.

Ludlow—County jail being repaired and renovated.

Thayer—Morris Mercantile Company moves into new home.

Pleasant Hill—Neal's Pleasant Hill Laundry purchases new equipment.

Willmathsville rebuilds after disastrous explosion and first last summer.

Carthage—Cameo Theatre installs sound pictures.

Trenton—Hoffman building being enlarged and remodeled.

Trenton had 47 more telephones than it had last year.

Bonne Terre—Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company store reopens.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MATTHEWS

The tournament held here Friday and Saturday was one of the most interesting events our little town has ever had. The immense crowds attending each game showed the appreciation of our people. The gym was crowded Friday and Saturday nights and there wasn't standing room. Our boys, we are proud to say, won the beautiful trophy, a silver basketball ball. The lowest score made by the boys was 42. The Matthews boys were entertained after their victory Saturday night with a supper at O. V. Denbow's restaurant. Mr. Denbow served the boys all the ham and eggs they could eat. On Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Rodgers entertained them with a dinner.

Lavelle Cox has returned from Flint, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Deane and Mrs. Roy Alsop attended the funeral of James Midgett at the Skeston Memorial Park, Friday afternoon.

Lesal Caruthers and Elmo Bledsoe, both of Matthews, slipped off to Skeston Sunday to get their brides. Mr. Caruthers was married to Emma Gross and Bledsoe was married to Geraldine Carr. The double ceremony took place Sunday morning at New Madrid.

The drug store operated here by George Ross of Lilbourn, was closed last week.

Wade Tucker of Skeston was in Matthews, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell of Skeston were in Matthews Friday.

Mrs. Thelma Caldwell, who was operated on for appendicitis at the Emergency Hospital at Skeston, is getting along fine.

Mrs. Hazel Stroud and sister, Margery Burch, motored to Skeston, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stancil and children of Bertrand, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Benford.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Daugherty shopped in Skeston, Saturday.

Olen Critchlow and Clyde Williford went to New Madrid Sunday to witness the marriage ceremony of Lesal Caruthers and Elmo Bledsoe.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Watkins motored to Skeston, Wednesday.

Mesdames Hubert Boyer and Jack Matthews of Skeston were visitors here Wednesday.

Agriculture, Canada's most important industry, is engaged in by more than half of her population.

Canada's leading groups of manufacturers are wood and paper, vegetable, iron and steel and textile products.

There is ample evidence that the ancient Romans made use of window glass, although in the meantime it seems to have been a lost art. Specimens of this glass have been found and, as a rule, the panes were about 12 by 16 inches, although larger ones have been found. Glass was known in Egypt at an earlier date.

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CHAPTER X

Out of Luck

"So far, Jack, you and Mr. Zarankos seem to have had most of the fun, pronounced my cousin Betty, as we sat at luncheon in the Kings' private sitting-room in the Pera palace.

"What interests me," said Hugh thoughtfully, "is how many of those Johnnies you scragged last night."

"Only the one, I think," replied Nikka.

"You hit another chap," I reminded him.

"Yes, but two of their strength doesn't mean any great reduction in their fighting force."

"Still, counting in those two and the men they sent off with their women, as Nikka's pals reported, they'll be a good bit weaker than they were," argued Hugh.

"Just the same," insisted Betty, "we ought not to run any unnecessary risks."

"Who's we?" I inquired.

"See here, Jack," she flashed, "you might as well understand that I am in this and I am going to have my part in whatever we do."

"Hear, hear," Hugh applauded severely.

Nikka laughed.

"How about it, Vernon?" I demanded of my uncle.

He spread his hands in a gesture of deprecation.

"My dear Jack," he said, "within reasonable limits, Betty's judgment is to be depended upon. Moreover, a not unimportant consideration is that she knows how to run a motor, and in our excursions in the Curlew her aid has been of some value."

"Don't be stuffy, Jack," urged Hugh. "Give the girl a chance. There are lots of things she can do, short of mixing it with your friend Toutou. I gather that Nikka's lady friend in the hostile camp was not adverse."

"That's a different matter," I interrupted, perceiving the embarrassment on Nikka's face.

We had slurred over Kara's personal interest in his fortunes, but even so, the incident, to quote Betty's analysis, was "romantic to the nth degree."

"I don't see that it is," asserted Betty stubbornly, "and I intend to play my part."

"Darn it all," I laughed. "You won't let up, will you? Well, have it your own way. What do you want to do?"

"Run you down the Bosphorus after dark for a look at Tokalji's house from the water side," she answered promptly.

Hugh intervened.

"There's no question in the minds of you two chaps but that any attack ought to come from the water front. Is there?" he asked.

"It couldn't very well come from the street," replied Nikka. "There's a high windowless wall and a strong door, and even in that lawless quarter publicity would attend an armed invasion of private property."

"Of course," said Betty, her head in the air. "It couldn't be any other way. Now tell us some more about the hiding-place of the treasure."

"What more can we say?" I answered. "There's the courtyard and the red stone."

"It would be a task of some difficulty to pry loose the covering of the treasure chamber," King remarked. "We have—or rather, I should say, Betty has—taken precautions to install on board the Curlew an equipment of crowbars, pick-axes, shovels, chisels and other tools."

"—and a knotted rope with a grapnel on the end to help in going up the sea-wall," reminded Betty.

"True, my dear. Your forethought has been admirable. What I was about to say, however, was that a certain amount of time—I fear, perhaps, an inordinate amount of time—will be required to pry loose the covering of the vault. How are we to secure ourselves such an opportunity?"

"By choosing a time when the occupants of the house are off-watch and their numbers diminished," declared Hugh.

"True," agreed Nikka, "yet I confess I don't see how—"

And to make a long story short he shed it over all after noon until tea-time, without arriving at any clearer view of the outlook before us. By that time we were sick of the discussion, and voted to suspend. Vernon King and Betty went to a reception at the British high commissioner's, and the rest of us planned to take a

walk on the chance of running into Wasso Mikall, who had promised to come over to Pera in the afternoon if his spies picked up any additional information.

The first person we saw in the hotel lobby was Montey Hilyer.

"I say, Chesby," he drawled in tones that reached all the bystanders, "I don't know what sort of a lark you fellows were up to last night, but really, you know, you can't take liberties with natives in the East—and especially, with their women. Really, old chap, you ought to be careful. In your place, I think I'd clear out of Constantinople. No knowing what kind of trouble you may get into."

Hugh was furious. He looked Hilyer up and down with cold scorn.

"Are you taking a flyer in black-mail, by any chance?" he asked deliberately.

"Not yet," answered Hilyer cheerfully. "No knowing, though. Matter of fact, at present, I'm protecting some poor natives who fear they are going to be victimized by a gang of foreigners."

"Well, whatever you are doing, I should prefer that you keep away from me in the future," said Hugh. "I can't afford to have the Jockey club stewards hear that I've been talking to you."

As it happened, the one episode in Hilyer's plebeian past that irked his pride and aroused sore memories was his suspension from the privileges of the turf. The man was a sincere horseman, his racing ventures had been the breath of life to him, his disgrace and compulsion to enter his thoroughbreds under other men's colors had been a bitter blow. And he showed this feeling now. His face went dead-white; his nostrils pinched in.

"All right, Chesby," he said curtly. "I won't forget that."

And he disappeared into the bar.

"You were hard on him," said Nikka seriously. "After all, why should you mind anything that he can say?"

"He was hoping that Miss King as within hearing distance," retorted Hugh. "A dog like that doesn't deserve consideration."

"Some people believe a dog does deserve consideration, Lord Chesby," said a feminine voice behind us.

We turned to face Helene de Cespedes. The Countess Sandra Vassilievna was with her. Maude Hilyer, her face as ghastly as her husband's, was hurrying away from them.

"You may be enemies, but why should you make a woman cry?" added the Russian girl. "She will be unhappy the rest of the day."

"I'm very sorry," answered Hugh stiffly, "but do you sincerely believe that her husband is entitled to insult me in public?"

"It was a rotten thing," he said, admitted Helene frankly. "And of course, he is a rotter. But as I told you boys once, they are a queer pair, and Maude—well, she really thinks that if they ever get into a state of affluence, they can both turn around and live straight. It's d-d silly, but—do you believe in fairies? Those who don't generally envy those who do."

"We don't believe in fairies," I answered. "And we don't believe in letting a man who is a thief get away with a gratuitous insult."

"Oh, you're right," said Sandra Vassilievna impatiently, "from your own point of view. But I'm going to tell Maude that she'll only ruin her complexion if she weeps for what an offensively honest man says to her."

Helene laughed as the Russian walked off.

"Women are almost as funny as men, aren't they?" she said. "Oh, say, before I forget it, Mr. Nash, you want to look out for that girl's brother. You slammed him one or two in that fight at Chesby, and he's had it in for you ever since. And after last



"If That Gypsy Tokalji Catches You—Pshaw!"

night, all the men are wild. If that gypsy Tokalji catches you—pshaw! Oh, boy! And Toutou!"

"They weren't able to catch us last night," returned Nikka. "They aren't likely to have as good a chance again."

"You put up a great fight," she agreed. "Oh, I'm handing it to you, all of you. You're the best little bunch I ever ran across. Say, I wouldn't believe, an English lord could be as much of a hustler as you, Lord Chesby. Your uncle, h."

She shrugged.

"What about my uncle?" asked Hugh eagerly. "Do you mind telling how your push got on to him?"

"No, no. I suppose there's no harm

now," she answered slowly. "Poor old fellow! I was darned sorry he was croaked. We none of us—well, what's the use talking? That Toutou is a devil. Mr. Nash knows it. I only ope he and the rest of you don't get to know him any better. But about your uncle, Lord Chesby. He was a cinch. He ran around here like a kid in a game of 'Cops-and-thieves.' Everybody knew he was up to something. The authorities thought he was just a nut. But when he took to snooping around Tokalji's house, our folks got wise to it he might be on to something good. Tokalji's tribe have always had this tradition of a treasure—but you know about that. Tokalji had been working with us since before the war, and he realized this was more than he could tackle by himself, so he called on Toutou. Say, Mr. Zarankos, on the level now, did that girl of Tokalji's sell out to you last night?"

Nikka stared at her blankly, his face a perfect mask.

"We had a good deal of trouble with her," he returned. "Had to tie her up. She was right on our heels, with her knife."

Helene shook her head.

"Yes, that's true, but—I saw her this morning. Humph! Maybe I'm a fool. I told Toutou to mind his own business, and not mix into the tribe's affairs. Tokalji said she was all right, and that ought to be enough."

"God help Toutou if he went after her," I said facetiously.

Helene gave me a quick glance.

"Maybe you're right," she said. "I've often wondered what Toutou would do against a woman who would use a knife. He—he gets 'em in a different way. Well, I'm babbling, which is a sign of old age. Be good, boys, and give up before you get into serious trouble. As ever, your well-wisher, Helene."

And she tripped off.

"What a delightful criminal," I remarked. "Somehow I don't mind so much the idea of being plucked by her."

"You're losing your perspective," growled Hugh, who was in a righteous frame of mind, partly because he was in love and partly because of his class with Hilyer. "A crook is a crook. They're all against us. I don't know but that the women are the most dangerous where you are concerned. Jack, why are you so d-d susceptible?"

At which I laughed. Nikka, walking beside us, had no ears for our conversation. His thoughts were on that slim, brown Tzizene maid about whom Helene de Cespedes had inquired. But he woke up a block farther on, when a big, turbaned figure shambled past us, with a guttural exclamation from the corner of his mouth. At the next corner there was a traffic block, and we ground casually around Wasso Mikall.

"Tokalji's women and children are in camp beyond Boghazkeui on the edge of the forest of Beigrade," he murmured. "There are five men with them. Five other men have left Sokaki Masyeri since morning. If Franks were there they have gone."

"It is good, my uncle," returned Nikka, affecting to speak to Hugh. "Continue the watch. If there is more to report bid one of your young men lounge before the Khan where we are staying tomorrow in the forenoon."

"It shall be done," said the old man, and he elbowed his way through our ranks as though in haste to cross over.

We led our escorts—for we took it for granted that we were under observation—a dilatory stroll, and arrived back at the Pera palace in time for dinner, which, as usual, we had served in the Kings' sitting room. It was a leisurely meal, for we had time to kill. There was an early moon and a wanted it to set before the Curlew left the Man-o-war landing, where it was moored.

If spies were still watching the hotel, as I have no doubt they were, we gave them the slip. We went downstairs together, and shot into the closed car which was waiting. Watkins sitting beside the chauffeur. Ten minutes later we drew up on the Curlew's docks, secure from observation because of the British marine sentries who stood guard at the dock-gates.

The Curlew was a handy craft, decked over forward, with a roomy cockpit and a good, heavy-duty Mercedes engine. She was nothing to look at, but reliable and efficient. Betty, who was an experienced yachtswoman, automatically assumed command, and Hugh and Watkins as automatically accepted the role of crew. Vernon King Nikka and I tried to be as inconspicuous as possible.

We chugged slowly through the glut of shipping in the Golden Horn, edging away from the Galata shore toward the picturesque bulk of Stamboul. Seraglio point loomed ahead of us, high, rugged, tree-covered, dotted with infrequent lights. We rounded it, the lighthouse twinkling on our star board beam, and turned southwest in to the Bosphorus, with the wide sweep of the Marmora just ahead. The steamer from Rodosto and other Marmorean ports steamed past us with a swash and gurgle. A related fishing-boat flapped by. Then we had the waters to ourselves.

"Have you the night-glasses, Hugh?" questioned Betty. "See if you can make out the St. Sophia minarets."

And to us: "That's our first landfall in making Tokalji's house."

Hugh leaned forward across the cabin roof, resting on his elbows, eyes glued to the glasses.

"Right O," he called back. "I'm on them—and I can see that big old tower of the sea walls that lies this side of the jetty."

Betty cut off the engine.

"Fetch the sweeps, Watkins," she

whispered. "We'll pull in. Quiet, everybody."

Hugh and Watkins unlashed two heavy oars from the cabin roof and thrust them outboard through oarlocks riveted to the cockpit railing. Side by side, in unison, they pulled with a long, deliberate stroke, while Betty steered. It was no easy task to move that launch across the swift-flowing tide of the Bosphorus, and it seemed an endless time before the blurred mass of the shoreline, becoming visible to our unaided sight, furnished an index to the progress we were making.

Nikka and I, with the help of the glasses, plotted for the others the arrangement of Tokalji's establishment.

"The old—all between the two wings—between the bachelors' quarters and warehouse and the House of the Married—ought to be easy to climb," I concluded.

"The wall of the House of the Married is very irregular, too," added Betty. "We have passed it close in a number of times by daylight, and we all agreed an active man could climb it."

"That's a good idea," approved Nikka. "If you could enter by the House of the Married you could seize the valuable part of the position first. Sound military strategy."

"Yes," assented Hugh, "you could consolidate your position—how the old lingo come back, though!—and occupy the rest of the place as convenient. By jove, if you didn't want to occupy it, you could—"

"Oh, you'd have to occupy it," I interrupted. "I say, do you know that place looks desert?"

"There's somebody there, never fear," rejoined Betty.

"According to Nikka's uncle, a good part of the garrison were withdrawn today," returned Hugh.

"There is no use in hurrying," cautioned my uncle. "We shall have plenty of opportunities."

"There's a time like the present," I said softly.

"Yes, they won't be looking for us so soon again," agreed Nikka. "They will be figuring that we had enough of a fright last night. What could be more unexpected than a raid from us tonight? They probably think that we will go slow after last night, and they don't even know we are out here."

"I wouldn't be too sure of that," rejoined Betty.

"Besides," I said, "their force is so depleted that we couldn't have a better opportunity."

"They may be reinforced."

"Nonsense," said Hugh. "Wait, bring out those tools. We shall want the rope for climbing and a couple of crowbars. If we need anything else we can send back for it. Betty, you must stay in the boat; you can't climb that wall—and somebody has got to be ready to start the engine and get us away in a hurry."

"I suppose you are right," she sighed. "Well, don't blame me if anything goes wrong. Of all the hare-brained—"

"Rats!" I scoffed. "If they jump us, and there are too many of them, we'll retreat. But maybe we can clean up this job tonight for good and all. If we can, it's worth trying."

Watkins emerged from the cabin with the tools, Nikka insisted that he was the best climber of the party, and took charge of the rope. Hugh and I carried the crowbars, which we wrapped in sailcloth to prevent their clinking against the stones of the wall. Then we stepped on the silvery rocks of the jetty, Nikka in the lead.

It was a perilous climb to the shore, and we negotiated it slowly, helping one another and taking every precaution to avoid making any noise. At last we found ourselves in the jumble of bowlders constituting the breakwater at the foot of the sea wall, which reared its moss-grown battlements high overhead. We turned to the left here, and crawled over and through the rocks on the beach to a point under the overhanging wall of the House of the Married. From the beach it looked unclimbable, but Nikka, after surveying its mounting courses, removed his shoes and started the ascent, an end of the grapnel rope looped around his waist.

We who watched him stood with knocking hearts for what seemed an eternity. Spread-eagled against the wall, he appeared as infinitesimal as a fly in the darkness. Our first knowledge that he had succeeded came when he jerked up the grapnel lying on the beach at our feet. He hoisted it slowly, lest it clash against the wall, adjusted its prongs and tossed down the knotted length of rope.

Hugh followed him with ease, bracing his feet against the wall when he was tired. Then I went up. Then my uncle. Watkins came last. It was now well toward midnight, and a haze was settling over the city. The Curlew was invisible even to us who knew precisely her location. The silence was absolute. The water lapped on the beach below. That was all.

Natural, and by light, Hugh took command. It was his expedition.

"Do we go down through the trap door Jack and Nikka used or do we use the rope to drop directly into the garden?" he asked.

"Best use the trap door," advised Nikka.

"Yes," I agreed. "Then the rope will always be handy in case you want to escape."

"Right O," endorsed Hugh cheerfully. "Jack, you and Nikka will come with me. Professor King and Watty will be rear guard and second-line for emergency use. Stay where you are, professor, until you hear from us."

We crossed the roof toward Sokaki Masyeri, the large courtyard on our right, the Garden of the Cedars on our

violently. "Let Toutou take his knife to them. That will do the trick."

Tokalji evidently understood the purport of this, for he rasped a quick assent. Toutou flashed a long, stilet-like blade, and stepped toward us.

"I'll carve them," he purred. "They do not look now as they will when I have finished with them. Ha, yes, Toutou's knife knows the way, to truth. Soon they will be asking to die."

But Hilyer jumped in front of him. The Englishman's thin face was aflame with temper.

"I'll stand for a good deal," he said. "but I won't permit torture. You are a fool, Toutou. You'd only kill them the way you did the old lord. Here, you people, we must call him off. He'll spoil the whole show."

Sandra backed him up, and compelled her brother somewhat sullenly to join in the protest. But Hilmi Bey and Tokalji energetically took the opposing side.

"They have killed three more of my men," howled the gypsy. "Shall they sow death through my tribe, and live unharmed?"

"They shall," declared Helene calmly.

She stepped beside Toutou, and placed her fingers on his wrist. Her eyes sought his. He snarled in his cat-like fashion, and drew away from her. But she fearlessly came closer to him, and slowly, under the compulsion of her fingers, he returned the knife to its sheath.

"There has been enough of this," Helene went on. "Mr. Nash, do you join with your friends in refusing to give up your secret?"

I nodded.

"Very well," she answered, "we will leave you to think it over. If you are wise, you will understand that having blundered into this trap—as you must have blundered sooner or later—the best you can hope for is life in exchange for what we want. I cannot continue to save you from the cruelty of those who relish brutal measures. There is a limit to my patience, too. I advise you to make intelligent use of the next twenty-four hours. You cannot be saved. Your friends cannot reach you. The authorities cannot intervene. If they did, you would disappear. You have twenty-four hours more."

"They took all the lanterns, except one, and went out, locking the door after them."

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MISSISSIPPI COUNTY FARM BUREAU NEWS

Another Soybean Convert
S. B. Hunter of Cape Girardeau, prominent land owner in Southeast Missouri and widely known throughout the States as a progressive promoter of sound agricultural practices which he puts into effect on his own land, has gone on record in favor of sowing soybeans in growing wheat.

Mr. Hunter stated, in conversation with County Agent Teal recently, that he was planning to try out a considerable acreage of wheat with a spring planting of beans, using Laredo or Virginia varieties, and that by planting about the 15th of April, he hoped and expected to harvest a seed crop in time to sow the ground back to wheat in the fall.

The use of beans, in his estimation, offers an opportunity for Southeast Missouri farmers to improve their land at slight expense or if the need arises to harvest a second crop of hay or seed off wheat ground during the same season, with very little additional expense and without the heavy cost of breaking, working down, and seeding the land to cowpeas after the wheat crop has been cut and threshed.

When such long-headed far visioned men as S. B. Hunter arrives at the conclusion stated above, it is the opinion of the writer that farmers in general can well afford to consider carefully and with open minds, the possibilities for handling soybeans in like fashion in connection with their own farming operations.

Sees Bright Farm Future
"The present offers greater opportunities in agriculture than we have ever seen," said D. H. Doane, president and founder of the Doane Sulting Service of St. Louis, in an Agricultural Engineering and Construction address at the initiation banquet of Gamma Sigma Delta, honorary society of agriculture, at Columbia last Thursday evening. "I would much prefer to be a factor in agriculture today, despite its temporary depression, than to be at the top of success in the stock market. Agriculture is entering an era of possibilities undreamed of heretofore."

Continuing his address, Mr. Doane spoke of the revolutionary changes that are to take place as the result of new machinery, new processes, new manufactured products utilizing former wastes, new systems of farming, new comforts of farm life. So great is Doane's faith in agriculture that he went so far as to say: "I have never seen any 'poor' land, though I have seen land that was absolutely valueless under existing systems of management. I have seen land classified as 'poor' land and selling at \$10 an acre that later, under skillful management, returned an annual production of \$1000 an acre."

Mr. Doane is a graduate of the Missouri College of Agriculture and was the founder and first chairman of the department of farm management at the College.

The Farmers' and Farm Women's Short Course to be held at the main auditorium at the Teachers' College, Cape Girardeau, Monday to Thursday, February 18 to 21, offers comprehensive instruction in farm and home subjects common to all parts of Southeast Missouri.

There will be both agricultural sections and home economic sections during each morning session, and in the afternoon of each day 45 minute periods will be used for conferences and round table discussions pertaining to topics covered in general lectures at the forenoon meetings.

The Monday program for men included talks on Lime and Fertilizers, Alfalfa and Sweet Clover, and Feeding Dairy Cows. On Tuesday, the morning session will take up Dairy Sires, Soybeans and Disease Control in Dairy Herds. Wednesday, Growing Healthy Chickens, the Poultry, Dairy and Feed Outlook, and 4-H Club work will be discussed. On Thursday morning talks will deal with Feeding of Chickens, Poultry Diseases and the Beef, Hog and Sheep Outlook.

At 9:30 each morning, a 15 minute demonstration will be given by a 4-H Club team from one of the Southeast Missouri Counties. The Mississippi County 4-H Club Health Club demonstration team from Holloway School will demonstrate on Thursday morning, under the supervision of Mrs. Kathryn R. Dow.

The Mississippi County Extension Service will also be represented by County Agent Teal in connection with the Soybean Variety Conference on Tuesday afternoon, February 19, and Poultry House Construction on Thursday afternoon at 1:15 o'clock. Mrs. Dow will also demonstrate vegetable preparations at 11:20 on Monday in the Home Economics section. Representatives of the Southeast

Missouri State Teachers' College have arranged for free luncheons to be served, each day, at noon on the College Farm. Tuesday evening, the Cape Girardeau Chamber of Commerce will be the hosts of the Short Course Faculty and visitors at a banquet to be served in the Hotel Marquette in honor of Dr. Stratton D. Brooks, President of the University of Missouri.

According to County Agent Teal, the Short Course presents to farmers of Mississippi County a splendid opportunity to get the "low-down" on any problem confronting them in connection with their farming operations in 1929. Mississippi County will be well represented at the Short Course meetings, for assurance has already been given the Extension Agent that no less than 20 individuals are planning to attend one or more days of the course.

Soil Test Shows Acid Condition
That it is impossible to determine the lime content or the absence of lime in a soil by looking at it, was demonstrated very effectively recently, according to County Agent Teal, who made tests on samples furnished by Paul Rowling of Texas Bend and J. N. Scott of Watson's Corner. The samples in both cases were of a black soil type ordinarily considered to be well supplied with the lime needed for growing alfalfa and sweet clover.

The sample tested for Scott was a heavy clay type probably known as Sharkey clay or clay loam. The test showed an acid condition which would require approximately 1 ton of limestone per acre to correct the sour condition.

The soil tested for Paul Rowling was a friable loam, dark grey in color, and classed according to the soil survey as a sarpy clay loam. The sample showed an acid reaction which would require one and a half to two tons of fine ground limestone to sweeten it sufficiently to grow alfalfa and sweet clover without difficulty.

It is quite possible, thinks the Agent, to get alfalfa or sweet clover started on fields from which the samples were taken, but probably the growth of the crop would be badly stunted during the first season or after one year. In the case of the Rowling soil, it would not be advisable to attempt to grow alfalfa until an application of limestone is made. The acid reaction in these soils will not interfere, however, with the production of excellent crops of corn, cotton, wheat, soybeans, or other crops which require much less lime than do red clover, sweet clover and alfalfa. Since alfalfa and sweet clover absolutely demand a sweet soil for growth, it will invariably be a waste of seed to endeavor to get a stand on acid soils.

Spray and Save
Many peach trees are killed annually in Mississippi County by San Jose scale. Other scale insects are sometimes found on peach, plum and apple trees, but the San Jose scale is the principle injurious insect to be guarded against.

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PAINFUL INDIGESTION

"I SUFFERED a good while before I found something that would help me," writes Mr. E. W. Berry, of Neosho, Mo. "My trouble was indigestion, pains in my chest and a tight, bloated feeling that would make me feel smothered."

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Spray mixture formulas for all kinds of fruit trees, grapes, etc., may be secured at the office of the County Extension Agent in Charleston.

NEW MADRID COUNTY FARM BUREAU NEWS

According to the Monthly Bulletin of the Standard Statistical Service cotton seems to be in a relatively good position for the coming year.

The average carry-over for the past eight years has been five and one-half million bales. The carry-over for 1928 was five million bales. The carry-over estimated for the next year will be four and one-half million bales. The estimated production for the coming year is approximately fourteen million seven hundred thousand bales. Making a total of the cotton supply nineteen million two hundred thousand bales, as compared to approximately twenty million bales in 1928. The average price for middling cotton, it was pointed out, would be in the neighborhood of 21c provided average yields are secured, however, the weather man and the boll weevil can make it possible for even better prices to be secured.

J. C. Weidner on the Oliver farms has flock of Barred Rocks which has until recently been producing 50 per cent. The flock of 100 has been laying approximately an average of 50 eggs a day. This is an exceptionally good average according to County Extension Agent Scott M. Julian. Mr. Weidner attributes the success of this flock to the fact that he started with good baby chicks, early hatched, and has fed and cared for them according to the recommendations of the Missouri College of Agriculture.

In order to produce the kind of pullets that make the most money it seems necessary to have early hatched chicks. This means that Plymouth Rocks, Wyandottes, Rhode Island Reds and Orpingtons should be hatched in early March, and Leghorns and Anconas not later than April.

Early hatched chicks are more profitable because: 1—They are less susceptible to worms and disease. 2—Pullets come into production in advance of cold weather when eggs are highest in price. 3—They grow rapidly. 4—Cockerels reach broiler weight in time for the best market.

To follow the practice of raising early hatched, healthy chicks requires the use of a good incubator or the purchase of baby chicks and the use of dependable brooder stoves in

comfortable brooder houses that have been moved previously to fresh ground.

Five eggs should be set or three chicks purchased for each mature pullet placed in the laying house. If a surplus of pullets are raised they can usually be sold for a good price.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MATTHEWS

(Items for last week)

The recent heavy snow has caused us to realize the advisability of short skirts. We never could appreciate them for their full worth until we had to get out in the snow to attend to the out-door work. When our dresses used to reach to our insteps and we were compelled to milk eleven cows and feed, and do all kinds of chores in just such weather as we have had for the past few days, when we came in to warm, our skirt would be wet to our knees. Then we would have to go out again in the cold. They would very often freeze. Now we don't wear our dresses to our knees, but we wear them convenient short enough that we don't have to be drabbed to our knees. Short skirts are a boon to women (men, too) for they don't have to buy so much material to make a dress.

Mrs. G. D. Englehart was a Sikeston visitor, Tuesday.

Mrs. M. E. Prouty spent the week-end here with friends.

A number of our citizens have been attending the wonderful services at the Christian church in Sikeston.

William Deane, Jr. and E. Elliot attended the show in Sikeston Monday night.

R. E. Burrus of Sikeston motored down to see the game between Parma and Matthews last Friday night. James Huls went to Sikeston Friday to attend the matinee.

Mr. Benford returned Sunday night from a visit with his daughters in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Alsop and Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Zimmer motored to New Madrid Tuesday night to see the game between that city and Matthews.

Herschel Summers has sold out and will go west to make his future home.

Harrisonville—Cass County Telephone Company will erect new building here.

Work on the lower Mississippi program will begin about March 1, Major Gordon R. Young, army engineer, said and is to be carried on at 32 different points. Channel dredging, pile dykes, and revetment work will be undertaken. The government will employ 2000 men beside the ones to be hired by 20 private contractors. Sixty-six miles of river, not now navigable for steamboats, will be made navigable, Major Young said. He estimates the river will be ready for barges by 1931.

SIKESTON WANTS IN CARDINAL LEAGUE

Cairo, Ill., February 15.—The St. Louis Cardinals are planning to establish a Class D League in Southern Illinois and Southeast Missouri which would include one club that would be a Cardinal farm. P. C. Bartelme and Frank Rickey, assistants to Branch Rickey, vice president of the St. Louis Cardinals in his minor league relations, made a trip last week visiting several of the towns in Southern Illinois and are trying to work out a league. The Cardinal representatives are looking for a suitable town that can be used as a Cardinal camp and it looks like Cairo is slated for the berth in their selection for a farm station.

Many cities were visited among them, Harrisburg, Benton, Marion, and Cairo, Ill., Paducah, Ky., and Sikeston Mo. Other major league clubs, presumably Detroit and Cleveland, are said to be interested in the plan for a league which will be used to develop young free agents. Sikeston, Mo., is being carefully considered as a member of this proposed circuit and it is very likely that both Cairo and Sikeston will get berths on this new circuit. No definite plans have been made by the Cardinals as yet, but developments are expected soon and formal announcement will be made by the Cardinal Club.

Liberal—Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company purchases building for new home.

An exposed surface on a fruit tree, from injury or removal of a limb, is an invitation for fungi and wood-boring insects to attack it, and should be promptly disinfected and covered with a waterproof coating. If a limb has been cut off, paint the edge of the bark and cambium with shellac while the cut surface is still moist. Apply a disinfectant such as common creosote. The wood should then be protected with a heavy coat of coal tar. Or, instead of applying the two materials separately, put on a mixture of one-third creosote and two-thirds coal tar. On small surfaces, grafting wax gives good results.

Ancient tombs reveal furniture bewildering costliness, but nothing to rival in value a seat on the New York Stock Exchange.—Washington Star.

Senator Reed says the British could destroy the Panama Canal in five hours. A country always gets more vulnerable when a Navy bill is pending.—Peoria Star.



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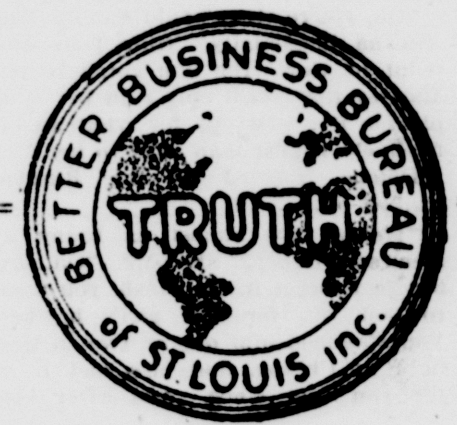
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A recent notice of a gathering of "heirs" said "Don't fail to notify all you can to attend". It didn't seem to matter much if the others were "heirs" or not.

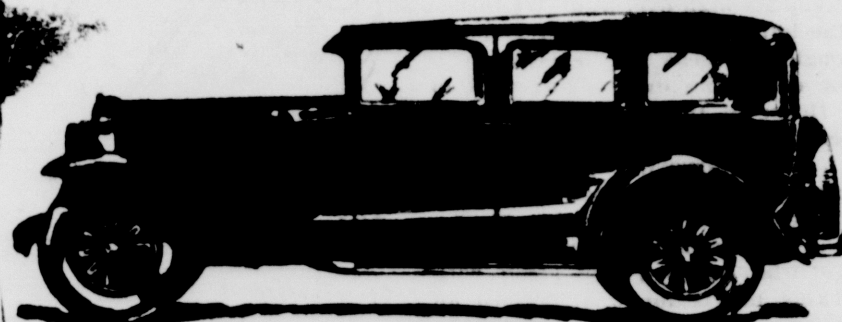
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